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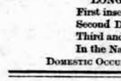

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship "Penang," 800 Tons, 150 H. P., Commander T. Sanders, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 17th February, at noon.

	Feb.		Feb.
Leave Bombay	16	Leave Galle	24
„ Rutnaghery	17	„ Negapatam	26
„ Vingorla	17	„ Pondicherry	27
„ Carwar	18		Mar.
„ Mangalore	19	„ Madras	1
„ Cannanore	20	„ Cocanada	3
„ Calicut	20	„ Vizagapatam	4
„ Beypore	20	„ Bimlipatam	4
„ Cochin	21	„ Gopalpore	5
„ Tuticorin	22	„ False Point	6
„ Colombo	23	Arrive Calcutta	7

This route is the most expeditious and economical for passengers for the Neilgherries district, Bangalore and Madras, who can land at Calicut for Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the Steamer at Madras.

N. B.—Until further notice the steamers from Bombay and Calcutta will call at Rutnaghery and Vingorla monthly on the 16th and 17th, to receive and leave cargo.

No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

(Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.)

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at Kurrachee, Guadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Lingah, Bushire, Fao, and Bussorah.

Up.	Feb.	Feb.	Down.	Feb.	Mar.
Leave Bombay	8	& 12	Leave Bussorah	28	& 12
„ Kurrachee	13	26	„ Fao	28	12
„ Guadur	13	27	„ Bushire	28	14
	Mar.			Mar.	
„ Muscat	16	2	„ Lingah	2	16
„ Bunder Abbas	18	4	„ Bunder Abbas	4	18
„ Lingah	19	5	„ Muscat	6	20
„ Bushire	22	8	„ Guadur	8	22
„ Fao	23	9	„ Kurrachee	10	24
Arrive Bussorah	24	10	Arrive Bombay	13	27

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the Weekly Service from England, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every MONDAY at noon.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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STEAM FERRY (under Contract with Government.) A Steam Ferry Boat plies daily between Broach, Gogo, and Bhownuggur.

Fares from Broach.	To Gogo.	To Bhownuggur.
First Class	Rs. 5 0	Rs. 7 0
Second Class	„ 3 8	„ 4 0
Deck	„ 1 8	„ 2 0
Horses	„ 4 0	„ 5 0
Carriages	„ 4 0	„ 6 0

Further particulars can be learnt on application to the undermentioned Agents :—

FURDOONJEE JEEWANJEE, at Broach.
RUTHALL PERMANANDASS, Gogo.
PURBHASHUNKER GOWREESHUNKER, Bhownuggur, or to the undersigned at Bombay.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

Church Street, Bombay, 12th January 1869.

THE well known first class Steamer "Flinx," Baker, Commander, will leave Bombay for the under noted places every Tuesday, taking Goods and Passengers, starting from the Apollo Bunder at 4 P.M., viz :—

Hurnee.	Jeytapoor.	Vingorla.
Unjunwell.	Malwan.	Goa.
Rutnaghery.		

For Freight or Passage apply to Nusserwanjee Kersasjee, Manager, Bazaar Gate Street, and for Charter, to J. Dixon, Rampart Row.

WEEKLY COMMUNICATION WITH ENGLAND.

On Saturday, 13th February, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. "Columbian," (2180 tons, and 500 H. P.), Captain G. Hyde, will leave for Suez as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Marseilles, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Genoa, Barcelona and Havre, Liverpool, or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 11 A.M. on Friday, the 12th instant.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave Mazagon Bunder for the convenience of Passengers at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Rampart Row, Bombay, 6th February 1869.

FOR LONDON.

(With prompt despatch.)

THE fine A 1 Ship "Lady McDonald," 632 Tons Register, Captain Kennedy, having the greater portion of her Cargo already engaged. For Freight apply to

SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co., Agents.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

To sail about the 20th of February.

THE Ship "Hartfield," 814 tons Register, Captain Sorrie, having capital accommodation for passengers, will be despatched as above. For freight or passage apply to

FINLAY, CLARK, & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 4th February 1869.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT.

MESSRS. GEORGE SMITH and SONS' fine first class British Ship "City of Bombay," Captain R. Adair, will sail positively for above Port on the 17th instant. For passage apply to the Captain on board, or at the office of

W. NICOL & Co.

FOR ENGLAND VIA HAVRE.

(To sail about end of March.)

THE new A 1 Iron Clipper Ship "Talisman," 1,200 tons register, W. Bartlett, R. N. R., Commander. This Ship has excellent accommodation for first class passengers, and will be despatched as above. For further particulars apply on board to Captain Bartlett, or to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 8th February 1869.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Ship "Prince Oscar." Captain Long, arrived from London, are requested to despatch Boats at once to take delivery, otherwise the same will be landed by the Captain at the risk and expense of the concerned.

THE LONDON, ASIATIC, & AMERICAN Co. (Ld.), Agents Ship "Prince Oscar."

Bombay, 6th February 1869.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Ship "Ophelia," from Liverpool, are requested to send their Delivery Orders, accompanied by Bills of Lading, for our countersignature and to pay their freight to us ; also to despatch Boats at once to take delivery of their Cargo, otherwise the Goods will be landed as they come to hand.

Captain Stickland will not be responsible for the condition of any Package after it leaves the Ship's deck.

WALLACE & Co.,
Agents for Captain Stickland.

NOTICES.

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„ Cut Cavendish	Latakiah „
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Carolina Rose.	Smoking Mixture.
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STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A LEDGER and a Copying Clerk wanted in a European Merchant's Office. Apply by letter, stating qualifications, &c., and salary expected "Exo," "Bombay Gazette."

NOTICE.—The Annual Sale of the Road Toll Farms, from 1st April 1869 to 31st March 1870, in the Colaba Sub-Collectorate, will be held at Alibagh on the 20th February 1869.

W. SALMON,
Acting Sub-Collector.

Colaba, Sub-Collector's Office, Poinar, 6th February 1869.

LOST or STOLEN.—The under noted Cheque on the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, drawn by Mr. Karsandas Madhavdas in favour of the undersigned, No. 63, for Rs. 4,000, dated 10th February 1869. Payment has been stopped at the Bank.

JOSUB HAJEE AHMED.

Bombay, 11th February 1869.

STEAM SHIP "NEERA," having arrived with Cargo from Liverpool 14th December, and Mauritius 30th January, Consignees are requested to present Bills of Lading at the Office of the undersigned and take delivery of their Goods at the Borce Bunder.

STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

Bombay, 11th February 1869.

NOTICE.—COLABA PRESS COMPANY, Limited.—Tenders are hereby invited for a Contract to supply labour for the purposes of Screwing and Lashing Cotton at the abovenamed Company's Presses for a period of three years from 1st March next.

All Tenders must specify the rates for labour on Presses worked by Steam and by hand respectively.

The Company do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

Tenders for the above will be received until the 19th instant, and any further information given by

THE LONDON, ASIATIC, & AMERICAN Co. (Ld.),
Secretaries, Colaba Press Company, Limited.

12th February 1869.

NOTICE to MARINERS.—The accompanying Notice is published for general information.

J. EVERARD C. PRYCE,
Master Attendant.

Office of the Master Attendant and Conservator of the Port, Bombay, 10th February 1869.

NOTICE.—MASULIPATAM PORT LIGHT.—The Port Lantern of Masulipatam having been partially destroyed by fire, no light will be exhibited from the Flag-staff at that Port till further Notice.

H. D. E. DALRYMPLE,
Master Attendant.

Madras, Master Attendant's Office, 9th January 1869.

MAZAGON LAND and RECLAMATION COMPANY, Limited.—Notice is hereby given, that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Mazagon Land and Reclamation Company, Limited, will be held at the Office of the undersigned in Elphinstone Circle, on Wednesday the 17th day of March next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering, and if so determined, confirming the following Resolution passed at a Meeting of Shareholders of the Company held this day :—

"That the Directors be, and they are hereby authorized from time time, at their discretion, to sell all or any of the assets, debts, or outstandings of the Company, either by Public Auction or private contract, and to empower the purchasers of such or any of the assets, debts, or outstandings to take all necessary steps to recover the same, or at his or their discretion to compromise any or either of the debts sold to him or them with the debtor or debtors."

By order of the Board of Directors,
RITCHIE, STEUART, & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Elphinstone Circle, 10th February 1869.

ARTISTS' REQUISITES.—The undersigned have just received a fresh supply of Oil and Water Colours, Brushes, Palettes, &c., &c.

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CRESWICK DRAWING PAPER.—This has a rough surface and a light buff tint, and is better adapted for outdoor sketching than any other, as it takes colour freely without damping, and the under colours are not disturbed by being worked over.

FOR HOT CLIMATES IT IS INVALUABLE.

Sketch Blocks of the above may be had as follows :—

7	by 5 inches	Rs. 3	0	0	16½ by 11½ inches	Rs. 14	0 0
10	by 7 „	„ 5	0	0	19 by 8 „	„ 10	8 0
12½	by 9 „	„ 7	8	0	20 by 15 „	„ 16	0 0
14	by 10 „	„ 9	8	0			

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NOTICES.

MESSRS. M. B. COHEN & Co., Shipping and General Commission Agents, No. 8, Meadow Street, entrance Bell Lane. M. B. COHEN & Co.

29th January 1869.

N. B.—Orders from Up-country promptly attended to.

FOR SALE.—Mr. Shapoorjee Eduljee's Second Edition of Gujaratee and English Dictionary, at Rs. 5 per Copy.

Also, by the same Author, Gujaratee Grammar, reduced prices, Rs. 2 per Copy.

Apply to Messrs. M. B. COHEN & Co., 8, Meadow Street, Bombay.

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White Satin, Kid, Marsala, and Jean Boots.
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To fasten over Instep with Elastic Bands (French).
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French Glove Kid (Emperor's)	Boots	
All Patent „	do.	Dress.
Do. „ (with spur boxes)	do.	
Kid top Patent Calf Golosh	do.	
Meuel top French Calf Golosh	do.	
Calf Croquet	do.	
Enamelled Croquet	do.	
Do. Imitation Balmorals	do.	
Do. Plain	do.	Walking.
Morocco top Morocco Golosh	do.	
Kid do.	do.	
Brown Morocco (Chelsea)	do.	
Do. Calf Golosh	do.	
Canvas headed	do.	
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Shoes in all the above materials, Elastic side and to Lace.

Slippers in Leopard and Hairy Calfskins, Morocco, Patent, Plush, and Enamelled Leather.

CHILDREN'S BOOTS AND SHOES in great variety.

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A few Sets of very superior Single and Double Harness, Riding Saddles and Bridles, Double and Single Reins, Driving Riding and Hunting Whips, Rug and Luggage Straps, a choice selection of Walking Sticks, Alpaca Umbrellas, Gent's Brown and Patent Waist Belts, Courier and Officers' Bags of sizes, Leather Alberts, Purses in great variety, Writing Desks of various sizes, Ladies' Doeskin Gauntlets, Military Undress, Irregular Cavalry and Hunting Spurs of every description, Sponges, Chamois Skins, Carriage Rugs in various colors, Solid Leather Portmanteaus of sizes, Jamieson and Harvie's Harness Composition, India Rubber Racket Shoe Soles, Black and Yellow Enamelled Hide, Grained Hide, and Waterproof Canvas Gaiters (Thigh and Knee), Patent Varnish, Kid Reviver, Blacking and Shoe Brushes, Trowser and Spur Chains, and Steel Burnishers.

PRICE LISTS, containing directions for self-measurement post free on application.

Bombay, 16th November, 1868.

WANTED.

WANTED, to purchase, a Tug Steamer for towing Boats in the Bombay Harbour. Full particulars regarding dimensions, power, daily consumption of Coal, and price to be forwarded to

BYRAMJEE NUSSERWANJEE & Co.
Landing Contractors G. I. P. Railway Company, Frere Bunder

6th February 1869.

WANTED, for the Steam Factory H. M.'s Dockyard, a Brass and Loam Moulder. Application (producing Testimonials) to be made in person at the Office of the Superintendent of Marine.

By order of the Superintendent of Marine,
GEORGE INGLE, Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Bombay, 8th February 1869.

WANTED, immediately an Engineer for the Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Company's Mill, one conversant with Mill Gearing, will be preferred. Applications, if accompanied by copies of testimonials, will be received, and all information afforded, by the undersigned at the Registered Office of the Company at the residence of the Honourable Munguldass Nuthoobhoy, in Girgaum Back Road.

By order of the Board of Directors.
SORABSHAW DOSSABHOY, Secretary.

4th February 1869.

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Bombay, 14th January 1869.

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We subjoin our LIST OF SELECTED WINES for this market, and beg to intimate :—

1st. That we cannot execute orders for less than 1 dozen quarts, or 2 dozen pints of either one of them, Liqueurs excepted ; these in not less quantities than ½ dozen pints or quarts.

2nd. That our Wines and Spirits are procurable from every respectable General Shopkeeper in Bombay and at Out-stations ; they, however, fix their own selling prices for them.

3rd. That our quotations are for delivery from our Godowns, and that we do not take the risk of subsequent breakage. Nor can we undertake to deliver Wines, &c., in Bombay.

4th. That our quotations for all Sparkling Wines do not provide for examination of original packed Cases, or for the rejection of alleged or broken bottles likely to be found in such Cases, on arrival, after a long sea voyage. We guarantee such Cases to contain its full complement of sound Bottles at time of shipment, but at our prices cannot provide for atmospheric or climatic influences ; if our constituents wish us to take this risk, which affects sparkling wine more than any other, we can only do so by adding Rs. 4 per dozen quarts, and Rs. 2½ per dozen pints to our quotations.

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Our own Brand

		per doz. Qts.	Pts.
A 1—Chateau Latour or Mouton.			
	Gold Capsule, Labelled & Branded	...Rs. 30	Rs. 16
No. 1—Rauzan, Black capsule,	do	„ 25	„ 14
„ 2—Leoville, Blue capsule,	do	„ 22	„ 12
	Chateau Palmer, Blue capsule	„ 22	
„ 3—La rose, Yellow capsule,	do	„ 18-8,	10-8
„ 4—St. Julien, Green capsule,	do	„ 17	„ 10
„ 5—Medoc, Red capsule	do	„ 15-8	„ 9
„ 6—Medoc, White capsule,	do	„ 13-8	
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Nuits,	ditto	„ 26
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Nonpareil Sparkling Hock or Moselle, Gold foil, Labelled and Branded		Rs. 36 to 19-8
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Moselle Still, Marcobrunner		„ 34
„ „ Braunberger, do.		„ 25
Hock, „ Johannisberger		„ 42
„ „ Forster Traminer		„ 34
„ „ Rudesheimer, do.		„ 26
„ „ Hocheimer, do.		„ 23

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do. No. 1, Blue seal, very pale and dry		„ 22	0
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Cognac, Pale, No. 3—White capsule	„	25
Rum, Superior Old Jamaica, 1st quality	„	22
Gin, London Old Tom, 1st quality	„	21
Whisky, 1st quality, Irish	„	23
„ „ Scotch	„	21
Geneva, in flasks (1 dozen in a case)	„	21

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	Qts.	Pts.
Curacoo, finest ; Amsterdam, Orange or White	...Rs. 40	22 0
Maraschino di Zara, best	„ 40	22 0
Cherry Brandy, best Copenhagen	„ 30	16 0
Orange Bitters (the best)	„ 20	

OUR TERMS for Cash Payments, Credit, &c., are as follows :—

To private Customers we allow 5 per cent. discount off our published quotations for payments made within a month from purchase ; three months' credit will be allowed to approved parties, without discount ; Interest will be charged at 10 per cent. per annum beyond three months ; MESSRS. on comparing our quotations with direct London invoices (taking care to add thereto all charges for Agency, Freight, Duty, &c.), will find that Wine, &c. can be supplied them most economically from our Bombay Godowns, while our Stocks will afford as much choice for selection. Merchants and Traders buying over 30 dozen at one time for resale, can learn on very liberal terms on application at our Office in Dean Lane.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.

FOR SALE, by the undersigned, J. Cockburn's and Campbell's (Edinburgh) well known Wines.

Fine Pale Sherry	Quarts.	Rs.	per doz.
Fine Very Pale	„	„ 27	„
Fine Pale	„	„ 29	„
Superior Port	„	„ 27	„
Do. do.	Pints.	„ 14	„
Brandy	„	„ 32	„

EWART, LATHAM, & Co.

CHARLES TOVEY and SON.

MESSRS OWEN and OKELL, Agents of the above Eminent, Shippers, have for sale the following Wines :—

		Quarts 1 and 3 Doz. Cases. per doz.	Pints 2 Doz Cases. per doz.
SHERRIES.	Amontillado	Rs. 28	Rs. —
	No. 2 WhiteCapsule	„ 32	„ 17
	„ 3 Green Seal	„ 24	„ —
	„ 1 Ruby Capsule	„ 40	„ 21
	„ 3 "Crowns" Solera	„ 44	„ 23
SAUTERNES.	Two headed Eagle	„ 25	„ 13½
CLARETS.	No. 4 White Capsule	„ 15	„ —
	„ 3 „	„ 20	„ 11
	„ 2 Blue Capsule	„ 24	„ 13
	„ 2½ „	„ 30	„ 16
	„ 2 Yellow Capsule	„ 36	„ 19
	„ 1 Two headed Eagle	„ 40	„ 21

Orders for the undermentioned shipments *(shortly expected to arrive.)* can now be registered :—

Per "Noel," from Bordeaux,

Cognac, Sauternes.

Per "Courier-de-Bombay," from Bordeaux,

White and Red Burgundies, Champagne, Cognac, Claret.

Per "Gaulois," from Bordeaux,

Champagne, Claret.

Per "Merwanjee Framjee," from London,

Hock, Moselle, Hollands, Geneva.

Per "Star of the South," from London,

Moselle.

Per "Hindustan" from London.

Islay, Malt, and Irish Whiskey, Old Tom, Port.

OWEN AND OKELL.

Agents Bombay Presidency, For Charles Tovey and Son.

Agents for Bengal—Messrs. Turner, Morrison and Co., Calcutta. Also, E. I. Burton Pale Ale, bottled by "Parle," in prime condition Rs. 4-12 per doz. quarts.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

PAYNE and Co.
(BOMBAY BRANCH,)
BOMBAY,
WINE MERCHANTS & REGIMENTAL AGENTS,

IMPORTANT.

The following are the vessels advised with Wines on Board for our Bombay Branch :

"PRINCE OSCAR."
"KHORASAN."
"MERWANJEE FRAMJEE."
"BENVOIRLICH."
"MELROSE."
"FERDINAND MERIC."
"BRITISH SOVEREIGN."
"PRINCE ALFRED."
"DILBHUR."
"GAULOIS."
"PEMBROKE CASTLE."
"NIGHT HAWK."
"STRATHBLANE."
"ROYAL ARTHUR."

The Wines are on the following respective vessels :—

"KHORASAN"
(Sailed 30th October).

SHERRIES, BOTTLED
PORT
BRANDY
WHISKEY
OLD TOM
VERMOUTH
LIQUEURS
BASS'S BEER, Bottled by H. Stone.

"PRINCE OSCAR"
(Sailed 28th October),

CHAMPAGNES
LIQUEURS
OLD TOM
ORANGE BITTERS
GENEVA
GINGER WINE
GUINNESS'S STOUT
BASS'S BEER, Bottled by M. B. Foster & Sons.
BASS'S BEER, Bottled by H. Stone & Co.
PORT
JAMAICA RUM.

"BENVOIRLICH."

CLARETS FOR CUP
CLARETS FOR BREAKFAST
CLARETS FOR TIFFIN
CLARETS FOR DINNER
CLARETS FOR AFTER DINNER, VERY FULL, such as
CHATEAU MARGAUX
CHATEAU LAFITTE
CHATEAU LATOUR.

"MERWANJEE FRAMJEE."

CHAMPAGNE, SIX KINDS
SHERRIES, BOTTLED
BASS'S BEER, Bottled by M. B. Foster & Sons,

"PRINCE ALFRED."

BEER IN WOOD (BASS'S),
In Hogsheads and Kilderkins.
BRANDIES
CHAMPAGNES, SIX KINDS
SPARKLING MOSELLE
HOCKS, STILL & SPARKLING
BASS'S BEER, Bottled by M. B. Foster.

"FERDINAND MERIC."

AFTER DINNER CLARET, HIGHEST BRAND
SAUTERNE
BRANDIES
SHERRIES, BOTTLED
CHAMPAGNES, FOUR KINDS
OLD TOM
WHISKEY, SCOTCH AND IRISH
HOLLANDS
JAMAICA RUM
ORANGE BITTERS
DUTCH LIQUEURS
VERMOUTH.

"BRITISH SOVEREIGN."

MOSELLES, SPARKLING AND STILL
HOCKS, SPARKLING AND STILL
SHERRIES, BOTTLED
SHERRIES IN WOOD
(1) Different Brands);
PORT WINE, BOTTLED
BASS'S BEER (Bottled by M. B. Foster)
PORT WINE IN PIPES
KILDERKINS BASS'S BEER
BRANDIES
LIQUEURS FRENCH
MARSALA
CHATEAU Y'QUEM
BURGUNDIES
STILL HOCKS.

"DILBHUR."

RHENISH WINE OR STILL HOCKS,
From Rs. 18 to Rs. 40 per dozen.
BURGUNDIES
CREAM OF THE VALLEY
DUTCH LIQUEURS
DUBLIN STOUT
BASS'S BEER, Bottled by M. B. Foster & Sons and H. Stone & Co.
KILDERKINS BASS'S BEER
EAU DE VIE OR LIQUEUR
BRANDY 20 YEARS OLD
SHERRIES IN WOOD
SHERRIES, BOTTLED

"GAULOIS"
(Direct from Bordeaux).

CHABLIS
SAUTERNE
CLARETS FOR CUP
CLARETS FOR BREAKFAST
CLARETS FOR DINNER
CLARETS FOR AFTER DINNER, VERY FULL, viz.,
CHATEAU MARGAUX
CHATEAU LAFITTE
CHATEAU LATOUR.

We have not received Invoices of Goods on board the other vessels, viz., "Pembroke Castle," "Night Hawk," and "Strathblanc," having sailed only a short time prior to the latest London dates. In due course we shall detail the shipments.

PAYNE and Co.,
ELPHINSTONE CIRCLE,
Opposite the Custom House,
BOMBAY.

Places of Business and Agencies.

Calcutta	Bentinck Bungalow.
London	George Street, Mansion House.
Paris	Rue de Dunde.
Wine Districts	Coblentz.
	Moselle.
	Frankfort O. M.
	Epernay.
	Rheims.
	Bordeaux.
	Cognac.
China	Hongkong.
	Shanghai.
Manilla	Strada Phillipinas.

PAYNE and Co.,
BOMBAY,
ESTABLISHED IN CALCUTTA UPWARDS OF HALF A CENTURY.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

PAY

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET dull, nothing doing.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Subscribed Capital.	Nomi. of sh.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Rate per Share.
		Rs.	Rs. p. a.		
1,000,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Agra Bank	126
3,140,000	1,000	all	9 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1750
3,000,000	500	all	5 do.	Ditto of Bombay New	540
3,750,000	1,000	all	11½ ps	Ditto of Madras	1650
800,000	200	all	6 p. c.	Chartered Bank of India A. & China	200
700,000	250	all	6 do.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	280
1,000,000	500	250	8 do.	Delhi and London	300
1,000,000	250	125	8 do.	National Bank of India	140
500,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	460

LAND COMPANIES.

2,180,000	3,000	all	Rs. 80	Colaba Land Company	1250
1,080,000	1,000	all	Rs. 30	Elphinstone Land	780 C.
1,080,000	1,000	500	„ New	Do. Do.	300
...	1,000	1,000	Nil	Frere Land	80
100,000	5,000	4,100	Nil	Mazagon Land	730
...	2,000	1,300	Nil	Port Canning	275½

PRESS COMPANIES.

40,000	2,000	1,100	200 ps	Albert Co. Kurrachee	800
75,000	3,000	850	200 do.	Alexandra Press Co.	500
187,500	12,000	11,000	1125 ps	Apollo Press Co.	10,000
80,000	2,000	2,000	1000 do.	Bombay Press Co.	1770
...	500	500	1000 do.	Do. New	410
...	1,800	1,800	1000 do.	Colaba Press Co.	2000
70,000	2,000	2,000	...	East India Press Co	1050
787,500	8,500	8,500	1000 ps	Fort Press Co.	8900
40,000	2,000	1,800	100 ps	Framji Cowasji Press	1155
400,000	6,000	4,000	425 ps	Hydraulic Press Co.	3400
20,000	5,000	2,000	...	Kurrachee Press Co.	800
200,000	1,000	500	...	Mofus. Press & G. Co.	210
30,000	2,500	2,500	200 ps	Prince of Wales Press	2500
45,000	2,000	750	...	Victoria Press, Madras	135

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

...	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co.	965
125,000	2,500	all	13⅞	Alliance Spinning	1650
40,000	2,000	all	...	Arkwright	400
580,000	5,500	all	...	Bombay	2800
100,000	1,000	1,000	10 p.c.	Bombay United	845
...	500	500	12 p.c.	Bronch Mills	325
160,000	5,000	all	...	Cowrla Spinning	1950
150,000	2,000	2,000	300	Great Eastern	1440
250,000	1,000	all	135	Manockji Petit's	980
200,000	2,500	all	...	Oriental	400
100,000	2,500	2,300	...	Royal	1425

SHIPPING COMPANIES.

500,000	5,000	3,500	600	BomLay Ship Co.	1450
200,000	2,500	all	300	Bombay Coast	260

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

...	£20	218.3.0	5 p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	227
...	£20	196.8.8	do.	Do. New £20 shares	198
...	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1120
...	£18	196.3.1	do.	Do. New Shares	Par.

MISCELLANEOUS.

...	50	5	Mechanics' P'd'g Co.	34
...	2,000	300	12 Kurrachee Landing and Shipping Company	150
100,000	500	all	3 p. c. Treasher & Co.	210

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date of L'dation.			
1,045,000	500	500	Jan. '5	Bank of Bombay	106
800,000	200	160		Do. China	3
2,000,000	200	100	May '67	Do. Guzerat	90
1,000,000	250	150	Aug. '67	B'bay Bi'dec'y B'k.	26
2,000,000	200	200	Sept. '67	Trig & B'kg	20
2,000,000	100	200	Sept. '67	Brokers' Bank	75
1,000,000	250	250	Mar. '66	Central Bank	9
500,000	500	200	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula	19
...	100	200	May '67	Royal Bank	15
...	400	400	...	B'gal Cr'dit Mobilier	2
1,200,000	400	130	Apr. '67	Old Financial	5

COMPANIES IN LIQUIDATION.

...	2,000	1,000	...	Ap'loB'd'Warehouse	10
1,000,000	...	3,000	Nov. '68	Back Bay Co.	385
800,000	...	3,500	...	B'bay & Bengal S. S.	300
2,000,000	...	4,100	...	Frere Reclamation	140
...	...	3,500	...	Iron Shipping	260
...	...	...	...	Victoria Spinning	2000

EXCHANGE.

On	Terms.	Rate.
London Banks	6 months' sight	2s. 0 5/16d. to 2s. 0 13.32d.
Do. Credits	6 do.	2s. 0 7/16d. to 2s. 0 9/16d.
Do. Documents	6 do.	2s. 0 ¼d. to 11/16d.
Calcutta	At sight	99½
Do.	60 Do.	98
Madras	30 Do.	99
China	60 Do.	216 nom.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent	112
Five per cent.	108
Four per cent.	94
Five per cent. (Public Works Loan)	106
Five per cent. Debenture Loan 1866-67	103½
15 years' Debenture Loans	108
10 years' do. do.	108
5 years' do. do.	103½
Six per cent. Municipal Loan	98

BANK OF BOMBAY.

Government Securities	7 per cent.
Mercantile Bills	10 do.

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns each	Rs. 10-8
Bank of England Notes	„ 10-4
Spanish Dollars	„ 225
Carolas	„ 280
Mexican Dollars	„ 220
German Crowns	„ 210
Five-Franc Pieces	„ 223
Bar Silver	„ 105
Gold Leaf	„ 15-1
Bar Gold 10 oz. English	„ 16-8

CALCUTTA [illegible] JANUARY 1869.

Government Papers were in demand, and every description slightly advanced in price. 4 per cents., one lot sold at Rs. 5-6 and three or four at Rs. 5-4 discount; the market was firm at the latter rate. Several purchases of 5 per cents. of 1856-57 were made at Rs. 8-4 premium. 5½ per cents. were bought at Rs. 12-8 premium, and towards the afternoon, prices had upward tendency.

The sales of Bank of Bengal shares reported to-day were of 1 for Rs. 1,650, a few at Rs. 1,640 and 1,635 each; a good batch was offered for sale in the afternoon, at lower figure, without finding a buyer.

National Bank shares were bought at Rs. 130.

Several transactions took place in Eastern Bengal Indigo Co.'s shares at Rs. 42, 43, and 45.

Equitable Coal Co.'s shares changed hands at Rs. 197½.

Purchases of Goosery Cotton Mills Co.'s shares were effected at Rs. 205.

India General Steam Navigation Co.'s shares were bought, for an order, at Rs. 400 per full share and Rs. 200 per half share.

Landing and Shipping Co.'s shares sold yesterday, at Rs. 60.

Purchases of Titlagot Indigo Co.'s shares were made this afternoon: a small lot at Rs. 70 and a larger number at Rs. 67. These shares are getting scarce in the market.

CALCUTTA FREIGHT MARKET.

We are unable to report any improvement in the freight market, the demand for tonnage continues as slack as ever and rates may be quoted at 2s. 6d. to 5s. per ton lower.

For London the Freight for jute has declined 5s. per ton, about 1,200 tons have been shipped at £1-17-6 to £1-15 per ton, and the article is scarce at the latter rate; in seeds there has been no business; about 500 tons of saltpetre have been placed at £1 per ton and sugar at £1-2-6 per ton. cotton, has been shipped to some extent at £3 to £3-7-6 per ton. We quote to-day's rates at:

Jute £1-15-0 per ton.
Cotton £3-0-0 to £3-5 per ton.
Saltpetre £0-17-6 to £1-0 per ton.
Rice £1-0-0 to £1-2-6 per ton.

For Liverpool we have little to say. Several attempt have been made to fix another for this port, but sufficient cargo has not been forthcoming to induces gents to lay their vessels on. The *Khandesh* and *Baroda* have engaged small lots of cotton, at £3-5 per ton.

For Dundee there is very little demand, £2 per ton was offered to Colonial built ships, without leading to business.

For the United states, two fine new iron ships have been chartered at 10 dlrs. per ton for seeds and measurement goods, and 7 dlrs. and 8 dlrs. per ton for saltpetre.

For Mauritius, bazaar very dull, re-let orders at Rs. 1-3 per bag.

For Colombo, one charter, at 14 annas per bag.

For the West Indies no demand for rice tonnage whatever; coolies £12 per head.

Grand total ships not fixed 22 tonnage, tons 25,098.

CARRINGTON & Co., 4, Clive Street.

8th February 1869.

DAILY COTTON MARKET REPORT.

BOMBAY, 11TH FEBRUARY 1869.

	OLD. Per Candy.
Dhollera Bhownuggur	255 to 256
Vingoria	240 to 242
Dharwar, Sawginned	265
NEW.	
Oomrawuttee Akote	274 to 276
Hinguughat	286 to 287
Broach	N.G. 276 to 277
Do.	M.G. 288 to 290
Veeravul	255 to 260
Khandeish Barsee	272 to 273

Ready sales 2,075 Candies. Market active.

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—FEBRUARY 11.

Marker, Lieutenant, 5th Fusiliers, on medical certificate, from Ferozepore.
Langmore, Major, Bengal Staff Corps, on leave, from Gwalior.
Murphy, Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, B. Medical Service, on leave, from Mhow.
Fidon, Major, Madras Staff Corps, on leave, from Ellichpoor.
Tyler, Cornet, 3rd Hussars, on sick leave, from Ahmednuggur.
Mein, Brigadier General, Royal Artillery on duty, from Secunderabad.
Kerrich, Captain, Brigade Major, on duty, from Secunderabad.
Coles, Lieutenant, 9th Native Infantry, on leave, from Poona.
Brady, Surgeon, 8th King's Regiment, on sick leave, from Poona.

DEPARTURES.—FEBRUARY 11.

Phillips, Captain, B. Staff Corps, on furlough, to Europe, (on the 13th).
Biden, Major, Madras Staff Corps, on furlough, to Europe, (on the 13th).
Thoyts, Captain, Staff Corps, on leave, to Poona.
Sorell, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, on leave, to Malligaum.
Anderson, Captain, Staff Corps, on leave, to Mhow.
Lukin, Major, 2nd Dragoon Guards, on leave, to Mhow.
Mornat, Lieutenant, Royals, on leave, to Deolalee.
Barclay, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, on leave, to Matheran.

GENERAL ORDERS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

(Bombay Government Gazette, February 11.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Deputy Assistant Commissary and Honorary Ensign Thomas Shore, of the Ordnance Department, is permitted to retire from the Service on a pension of £180 per annum from the 17th instant. He has permission to proceed to England, and to receive his stipend there.

The undermentioned Officers are allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868:—

Major T. T. Tarton, Madras Staff Corps.
Captain G. Phillips, Bengal Staff Corps.

Lieutenant Colonel A. T. Etheridge, Bombay Staff Corps, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

Surgeon Major J. Y. Smith, Examiner Medical Accounts, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, from the 19th February instant, under Rule 9th of the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

Major P. Dods, Staff Corps, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, under Rule 9th of the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

With reference to G. O. No. 504, dated 29th July 1868, Deputy Commissary and Honorary Captain H. Purcell, Invalid Establishment, is permitted to reside and draw his Invalid Pay within the limits of the Bombay Presidency.

Lieutenant Charles Crawford Yates Butler, 76th Foot, having applied for admission to the Staff Corps under the provisions of paragraph 5 of G. O. G. I., No. 531, dated 27th June 1864, is appointed to the Bombay Staff Corps from the 3rd July 1867, subject to the approval of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India. Staff appointment Second Wing Sub-altern, 8th Regiment N. I.

Referring to G. G. O. No. 560, 2nd October 1867, sanctioning a new description of cooking utensils, &c., for European troops, it is directed that, in the table therewith published opposite "Baskets 39" diameter, 9" deep," the figure 1 in the column "Length of time to last" be omitted, and a remark, to "be supplied when worn out by fair wear and tear," be substituted opposite the item.

The Government of India has ruled that if an Officer, whilst on furlough under the Rules of 1868, is transferred to another appointment, he will still continue to draw the furlough pay as before, whatever the emoluments of the new appointment may be, but the Officer acting in the latter will of course be restricted to half Staff salary. In the event of an Officer's appointment being abolished during his absence on furlough he would cease to have any claim to half the Staff salary, and would revert to the furlough pay of his Military rank, and it would rest with the department under which he might have been employed to represent the case for the special orders of Government, if the abolition should have been unexpected, or the circumstances such as to deserve special consideration.

The following promotion is made in the Commissariat Department, with effect from the 27th January 1869, consequent on the arrival of Captain J. S. D. Bolton from England:—

Captain J. S. D. Bolton, Sub-Assistant Commissary General 2nd Class, to be Acting Sub-Assistant Commissary General, 1st Class, vice Lieutenant W. T. Keays, proceeded to England on medical certificate.

The following promotion is made:—Cadre 5th Regiment N. I.—Lieutenant (Captain in Staff Corps) Adam George Forbes Hogg to have the position of Captain from the 25th January 1869, vice Danvers, deceased.

The furlough to Europe granted to Assistant Surgeon S. O'B. Banks in General Orders Nos. 444 and 582, dated respectively the 8th July and 9th September 1868, is under the Furlough Rules of 1854.

Referring to the form of Statement of Leave published in General Order No. 67, dated 27th January last, the leave taken by Officers is to be calculated by years and days only, and not by years, months, and days. The amended form of the Statement of Service published in General Order above-quoted can be obtained from the Adjutant General's Office, Poona.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Right Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased to recognize the appointment of M. Maximilien Henri Pierret as Consul for France at Bombay.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Major T. Thatcher to act as District Superintendent of Police in the Poona District during the absence of Major J. H. Henderson on furlough to Europe, or until further orders.

Captain H. S. Daniell to act as District Superintendent of Police in the Ahmednuggur District.

The Right Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following apointments, to have effect from the date of the departure on furlough to Europe of Captain F. P. Bartholomew, District Superintendent of Police in the Kulladghee District:—

Lieutenant G. H. F. Codrington to act as District Superintendent of Police in the Kulladghee District until further orders.

Lieutenant F. T. Stock to act as Assistant District Superintendent of Police in the Poona District, until further orders.

Mr. Hector Cameron to act as Assistant District Superintendent of Police in the Surat District until further orders.

Messrs. G. Ayerst and S. H. Phillpotts respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of Assistant Judge and Session Judge at Surat on the 1st instant.

Mr. G. Ayerst, Acting Assistant Judge and Session Judge of Ahmedabad, assumed charge of his office on the 2nd instant and made the necessary declaration of office as required by (Bombay) Act VI. of 1866.

Azum Lujjashunker Moolshunker, Mamlatdar of Wagra, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the Second Class in the Surat District.

Rao Bahadoor Bhasker Damother assumed charge of his appointment as Acting Judge of the Court of Small Causes at Poona on the 3rd instant.

Azum Balkrishna Babajee Nagnath, Mamlatdar of Kurjut, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the First Class in the Tanna District.

The following extract from the "London Gazette" of the 22nd December 1868 is published for general information:—

"INDIA OFFICE, 8th December 1868.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to nominate and appoint—

Frank H. Souter, Esquire, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bombay, to be a Companion of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India."

Captain F. P. Bartholomew, District Superintendent of Police in the Kulladghee District, is allowed subsidiary leave for a period not exceeding thirty days from 2nd March next, previous to his departure on furlough.

Mr. R. W. Hunter assumed charge of his appointment as Acting Judge and Session Judge of the Ruttnagherry District on the 4th instant.

G. S. Lynch, Esq., and R. A. Dallas, Esq., LL.D., respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of Attorney for Paupers on Tuesday the 9th instant.

Azum Trimbuklal Madhowjee, Acting Mamlatdar of Matur, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the Second Class in the Kaira District.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The privilege leave of absence for three months granted to Mr. W. H. Havelock, Acting Revenue and Police Commissioner, Southern Division, in Government Notification dated the 30th September last, is cancelled, and that Officer is allowed privilege leave of absence for three months from or after the 5th March 1869.

Mr. Leibschwager, Superintendent Customs Preventive Service, having returned to his duty on the 30th ultimo from the two months' privilege leave granted to him from the 26th December 1868, the unexpired portion of his leave is cancelled.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Sub-Assistant Surgeon A. de Souza, in charge of the Bandora Dispensary, is allowed leave for six months, to proceed to Europe, under Section 12 Clause 1., of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Sub-Assistant Surgeon M. F. Pereira is appointed to the charge of the Medical Duties at Alibaug.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The services of Lieutenant C. S. Beauchamp, R.E., are, at the request of the Government of India, placed at the disposal of the Government of the North-West Provinces, for employment as Assistant Principal of the Roorkee College, from the date on which he is relieved by Lieutenant Willans, R.E., who is appointed to act as Executive Engineer, Deesa and Aboo.

Lieutenant A. R. Seton, R.E., received charge of the office of the Executive Engineer, Sattara, from Lieutenant F. J. Willans, R.E., on the forenoon of the 1st February 1869.

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

Captain A. Le Messurier, R.E., Acting Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, is allowed one month's privilege leave from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Rev. W. Clark, appointed by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for India a Junior Chaplain on the Bombay Ecclesiastical Establishment, is admitted to the Service from 30th January 1869, the date of his arrival at Bombay.

The Rev. W. Clark is appointed to act as Chaplain of Colaba during the Rev. W. Maule's absence on privilege leave.

The Rev. J. Churchill, M.A., Chaplain of Sattara, is permitted to retire from the Service from the 20th February (instant).

The Rev. C. Kirk, Junior Chaplain, is appointed to do duty at the Presidency until further orders.

NOTIFICATION BY THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, BOMBAY.

The Honourable the Chief Justice and Judges of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature have been pleased to admit Mr. Charles Albert Winter as a Vakeel of the Court.

NOTIFICATION BY THE REVENUE AND POLICE COMMISSIONER.

NORTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. McMinn, 3rd Assistant Collector of Tanna, is appointed Vice-President of the Local Fund Committees of the Alibaugh and Penn Talookas, and also a member of the District Local Fund Committee of that Sub-Collectorate.

NOTIFICATION BY THE COMMISSIONER IN SIND.

Captain M. J. J. Mignon, Staff Officer at Hydrabad, is vested with the powers of a Magistrate in the Hydrabad District.

NOTIFICATION BY THE SURVEY AND SETTLEMENT COMMISSIONER, N. D.

Mr. W. Turnbull, Assistant Settlement Officer, Indus Right Bank Survey, has been allowed one month's privilege leave.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—11TH FEBRUARY.

London	Cotton	£2 5s. 0d. to £2 7 6d.	per ton.
	Seeds	£1 10s. 0d.	Nominal.
Liverpool	Cotton	£1 15s. 0d. to £2 2s. 6d.	„
	Seeds	£1 5s. 0d.	„
Overland	Cotton	57 0s. 0d.	p. 40 c. ft.
China	Sailing vessel Cotton		Nominal.
	Steamer do.	R 6 to 7	per bale.
	„ Opium	Rs 10 to 15	per chest
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 6	per ton.
	auritius...Grain	12 annas	per bag.

ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
11	Neera (s)	Hanscom	Liverpool, Dec. 14.
	Tyrrell	Morgan	Moulmein, Dec. 28.
	Taptee (s)	Drewitz	Kutch Mandvie, Feb. 9.

DEPARTURES.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
11	Hydree	Nacoda	Jedda and Hoodeida.
	Falkland	Pender	Moulmein.
	Sultan Basha	Nacoda	Cochin and Alleppy.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—
Barque Hyacinth, Brown, to Colombo.
Barque Arctic, Nordbeck, to Akyab.
Barque Chloris, Lund, to Cochin.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—
Ship Rothsay, to Liverpool.
Ship Queen of the Lakes, to Liverpool.
Steamer Taptee, to Kutch.
Steamer Baroda, to Aden and Suez.
Steamer Neera, to Aden and Suez.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVAL.

Feb. 6 Asia (s) ..... Irvine ..... Madras, Jan. 20.

DEPARTURE.

Feb. 6 Rising Sun ..... —

REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.

GALLE, 10th, 7-15 A.M.—Mail steamer "Surat" from Suez anchored at 6 A.M.

GWADUR, 10th, 7-45 P.M.—H. M.'s steamer "Earl Canning" leaving Gwettur.

KURRACHEE, 10th, 12-25 P.M.—Steamer "Maharatta" with Overland Mails sailed for Bombay at 8 A.M.

KURRACHEE, 11th, 9-55 A.M.—Steamer "Comorin" with Overland Mails arrived from Bombay at 1-20 A.M.

GALLE, 10th, 9-20 A.M.—Mail steamer "Mooltan" from Calcutta anchored at 9 A.M.

TELEGRAPH LINE REPORT.

NAGPORE, 10th, 7 P.M.—Interruption Sconce since 5 A.M.

INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAMS.

The following are the dates of private telegrams received at the Bombay Telegraph Office during the 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock yesterday evening:

From United Kingdom, via Turkey, 5th, 6th and 8th February.
From United Kingdom, via Russia, 8th and 9th February.
Continent of Europe, via Turkey, 4th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th February.

The time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay from 8 P.M. of the 10th to 8 P.M. of the 11th February are as follows:—

To Bombay	Max*	Min.
From Kurrachee	7 26	0 16
„ Calcutta	19 10	9 15
„ Madras	27 35	7 47

Communication between Bombay and Kurrachee perfect.

* High Max. owing to press of work.

POSTAL NOTICES.

OVERLAND MAILS.

The Overland Mail, per P. and O. Co.'s steam packet, will be closed on SATURDAY, the 13th Feb., at 2 P.M.; the after-packet at 3 P.M. After-packet letters will not be forwarded unless an 8-anna stamp is affixed to the letter in addition to the postage. Registered letters will be received until 1 P.M. The latest hour for posting at the several Branch Post Offices is 1 P.M.

The dates of departure of the Overland Mails from Bombay during 1869 are fixed as follows:—

Saturday	Feb. 13	Saturday	Mar. 27
„	„ 20	„	Apr. 3
„	„ 27	„	„ 10
„	Mar. 6	„	„ 17
„	„ 13	„	„ 24
„	„ 20	„	May 1

CHINA MAILS.

The Post Office Packets for Ceylon, Penang, Singapore, and Hongkong, per P. & O. Company's steamer, will be closed on FRIDAY, the 19th Feb., at 9 A.M. A packet for late letters will be kept open on payment of the usual fee until 10 A.M. Registered letters will be received until 6 P.M. of the previous day.

Friday	Feb. 19	Friday	Apr. 2
„	Mar. 5	„	„ 16
„	„ 19	„	„ 30

AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

The Post Office Packet for Australia, per P. & O. steamers will be closed at 9 A.M. on the following dates; the regulations regarding late and registered letters being the same as those for the China Mail

Friday	Feb. 19	Friday	Apr. 16
„	Mar. 19	„	May 14

DESPATCH OF MAILS FROM BOMBAY.

MAILS.	Date of Departure.	Mail closes.	After-packet.
OVERLAND MAIL	Feb. 13th	2 P.M.	3 P.M.
China Mail	Feb. 19th.	9 A.M.	10 A.M.
Ceylon	„	„	„
Penang	„	„	„
Singapore	„	„	„
Hongkong	„	„	„
AUSTRALIAN COLONIES	Feb. 19th.	„	„
Muscat	6th and 20th	Noon.	Noon.
Persian Gulf	„	„	„
Bussorah	„	„	„
Bagdad	„	„	„
Malabar Coast and Calcutta	5th and 19th	...	...
Kurrachee	Every Mon.	...	...

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

—The following alterations of Trains will take place on and after Monday, the 15th February, 1869:—

The Train for Sholapoor will leave Bombay at 2-30 P.M.

The Up Mail Train will leave Sholapoor at 6-15 A.M., reaching Bombay at 10-10 P.M.

The 9-0 A.M. Train from Bombay will start at 9-15 A.M.

The North Eastern Up Mail Train will leave Nagpore at 8-0 A.M. instead of 7-45 A.M.

The Train leaving Mahim at 9-40 P.M. on Sundays will leave at 9-10 P.M.

A First and Second Class Carriage will be attached to the Goods Train leaving Narel at 5-40 A.M. on Mondays for the accommodation of Passengers.

For details see Company's Time Bill.

WALTER KNOX,
General Traffic Manager.

General Traffic Manager's Office, Bombay, 11th February 1869.

THE WILSON TESTIMONIAL.

A Public Meeting of the European and Native Inhabitants of Bombay will be held in the Town Hall, on Monday the 15th instant, at 5 P.M., for the presentation of an Address and Testimonial to the Rev. Dr. Wilson.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HON'BLE THE GOVERNOR OF BOMBAY has kindly consented to preside.

Bombay, 10th February 1869.

INDO-BRITISH INSTITUTION.—The Annual Meeting will be held on Friday, 12th February, at 5 P.M., at the Boys' School. The Lord Bishop of the Diocese will preside.

A Sermon will be preached in Trinity Church, Sonapore, in aid of the funds of the Institution on the Sunday following (Feb. 14) at the 6 P.M. service, by the Right Reverend the Bishop.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS ONE RUPEE, AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

NORTH-WEST PROVINCES.

BIRTH.

COXE—January 31st, at Lahore, the wife of Lieutenant Colonel H. W. H. Coxe, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

ARMSTRONG—DELMERICK—February 2nd, at Christ Church, Rawul Pindee, by the Rev. A. W. Irwin, M.A., Mansel Armstrong, Esq., Lieutenant H. M. 30th Hussars, to Josephine Louisa, eldest daughter of J. G. Delmerick, Esq., Extra Assistant Commissioner.

LANG—HOLBROW—February 2nd, at TRINITY Church Syalkot, by the Rev. J. B. D'Aguilar, M.A., the Rev. J. P. Lang, Missionary of the Church of Scotland, Syalkot, son of the Rev. G. Lang, of Gilmerton, Scotland, to Frances Anne, daughter of the late Colonel Holbrow, Bengal Army.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1869.

A STRIKING paragraph which we yesterday quoted from the *Pioneer* will be read with astonishment and concern—may we not add incredulity?—all over India. Not that we wish to imply any captious doubt affecting the general authenticity of semi-official news published by the Allahabad journal, but that we prefer to doubt the information rather than believe that the Duke of Argyll has initiated or sanctioned the acts of folly imputed to him. What do we read? That "peremptory instructions" have been received by Lord Mayo to place Colonel This in one office and Colonel That in another; to make an order that a literary Civilian of shining ability should confine himself to the compilation of a "Gazetteer"; and finally these "peremptory instructions" command the Viceroy himself to travel in Rajpootana next cold season—the last being a bill drawn at a long date, and implying Divine foresight on the part of his Grace of Argyll. Our contemporary is cautious enough to say that no information has reached him in one respect. He does not know "that the Viceroy has been consulted on any one of these points." With the comment of the *Pioneer*, that "such dictation on the part of the India Office is intolerable," we cordially agree.

Now, if the statements here made be true, we say, without the slightest hesitation, that, however unfit Lord Mayo may be to fill the responsible post of Viceroy of India, the Duke of Argyll is far more unfit to perform the delicate and momentous duties of Secretary of State. No Minister of the Crown would have ventured to address to Lord Dalhousie, or even to Lord Canning, an order like that which the Duke of Argyll is said to have forwarded to Lord Mayo. The real grit of the new Viceroy—should the story be true—will now be tried in he fire; and we venture the opinion that he knows enough of the temper of Parliament to be aware that, were he to refuse obedience flatly the Westminster Dictator would meet with scant sympathy there. But any appeal to Parliament would only intensify the evil of home interference. It is bad to have a meddling Secretary of State; a meddling Parliament, swayed to and fro by party spirit, and open to the intrigues of paid agents, would be an unmixed curse. Yet, what other remedy than an appeal to Parliament is open to a Viceroy, insulted by orders like those we have cited? If Lord Mayo gives way, there is an end of the Government of India in India—at least for this *régime*. A revolution will have been effected; India will be governed directly from the palace which overlooks the Green Park; and the Secretary of State will be able to dictate orders such as no Home Minister dare send to the meanest mayor in Great Britain; no Colonial Minister to the poorest colony; no Commander-in-Chief even to the most obsequious Colonel; and such as only my Lord Duke could send to his Grace's Major Domo. Sir John Lawrence is reported to have said that the India Office must have contemplated the appointment of a footman as his successor; and, if the statement of the *Pioneer* be accurate, Sir John had clearly formed a correct estimate of the animating spirit and policy of the Indian Department at home. But, however yielding Lord Mayo may have been as member of a party, we cannot believe that Lord Mayo, as Viceroy of India, will prove to be made of the poor stuff indicated by the trenchant remarks of the late Governor General. Indeed, we prefer to doubt, until confirmed as indisputable, the grave statements of the *Pioneer*; for although the Duke of Argyll is a little prone to supercilious arrogance, he has not yet shown himself to be—the phrase will out—a presumptuous and colossal blunderer.

The only fitting answer to his Grace's orders—if he has sent them—would be to treat them as a joke, and to forward home "peremptory instructions" that the Secretary of State should appoint Mr. This and Sir That to be the heads of such and such departments in the India Office. The instructions would be just as appropriate in the one case as in the other; but the retort from Calcutta would be deserved. Another mode, more dignified and equally effective, would be to consider said orders as *non-avenue*. In any case, Lord Mayo is bound to risk his recall, which, under the circumstances, unless England has been more degraded by her public men than we are willing to believe, would be followed by the forced resignation of his Grace of Argyll.

THE alterations recently announced in the subordinate judiciary Bench of this Presidency have not been received with any great satisfaction by the native press. The whole change that has been made, though it has improved the position of the Native Bench by [illegible] amongst which are improvements and extensions of the roads within the Jeypore Raj. His Highness has also expended Rs. 20,000 on the purchase of grain for distribution to the poorer classes, and has abolished all sorts of taxation on grain within his territory, in perpetuity, to enable the Mahajuns to import freely without the interference of the Jeypore Durbar.

DR. KIRK, the acting British Political Agent and Consul at Zanzibar, issued the following notice on the 12th November last:—

Whereas His Highness Seyd Majid has issued a Proclamation that from the 25th Rejeb 1285 (11th November 1868) until the 25th Rejeb 1286, the various coins now in use shall maintain their former values, but that on the 25th day of Rejeb 1286, or twelve lunar months from the present date, the German Crown, known as "Shami," alone shall be the dollar of Zanzibar and standard of account.

Notice is hereby given that in the settlement of claims before the British Consular Court within the next twelve months, as expressed in His Highness's Proclamation, each coin will be reckoned as formerly, but that after the 25th day of Rejeb 1286 all money will be estimated at its intrinsic value, as determined by the Bombay Mint, the German Crown being the Unit.

The proclamation above referred to is thus translated:—

Seyd Majid bin Saheed to all who may see this; know that from this date to the end of one lunar year the American coin and the coins of other countries shall pass in our kingdom at their present established values, and that after the end of one year from this date all money shall circulate at its market value without price fixed by us. Only the Silver Dollar known as "Shami" (or German Crown) shall be our standard dollar and unit of account throughout our Kingdom. Written by order of the Sultan by his servant Soliman bin Ali. 25th Rejeb 1285 (11th November 1868.)

THE townspeople of Gokurn, in the talooka Coompta, of the Canara Collectorate, being desirous that taxes should be imposed for municipal purposes, Act XXVI. of 1850 has been declared to be in force there from 1st March next.

INVALIDS and time-expired men from Poonamallee, Saint Thomas' Mount, and Fort Saint George were to proceed to Beypore by the 7 A.M. train on the 8th instant from Madras and Avady stations, and to embark at Beypore on or about the 10th instant for Bombay, to proceed thence to England by the next Overland troop-ship.

UNDER the leading of "Opium Smuggling in Bombay," the "Englishman" informs us that "the Government of Bengal reported that the operations of the special police force at a cost of Rs. 309 per mensem, which was sanctioned for the purpose of checking the smuggling of opium by railway passengers, have resulted in the realization by Government of Rs. 6,083-4 from the sales of confiscated opium and fines, during the six months ending 31st July 1868. These results being very satisfactory, the Government of India in the Financial Department sanctioned the continuance of the establishment up to 30th September last."

IT has been decided (we learn from the "Englishman") that until further orders, European general courts-martial for the trial of non-military offences are to consist of a president and twelve members, and for the trial of military offences of a president and ten members. Members in waiting will not be required in addition, and no

PROPOSED TESTIMONIAL TO THE LATE ABYSSINIAN CAPTIVES.

It is proposed to raise £1,000 to be presented as a testimonial of Christian sympathy to the Rev. H. A. Stern and to his fellow-labourer and fellow-sufferer in the prison of Abyssinia, Mr. H. Rosenthal. Mr. R. C. L. Bevan has headed the subscription list with £100, and promised to receive subscriptions for that purpose at his bank, 54, Lombard-street, City, London. The Christian public in general, and the friends of the mission to the Jews especially, are invited to assist in raising this sum, which will be presented to the two devoted missionaries as soon as the £1,000 are collected. We learn with much regret that the health of Mr. and Mrs. Rosenthal has quite given way, and he has been obliged to resign his office as a missionary.—*Record.*

AN ACT FOR THE BETTER REGULATION OF AFTER-DINNER SPEECHES.

(*Indian Examiner.*)

WHEREAS at certain friendly and hospitable gatherings, to wit, banquets, public dinners, and the like, it hath been the custom from time immemorial, to drink toasts to the health and prosperity of certain honourable institutions and persons having authority;

And whereas to the great detriment, and bringing into contempt, of the aforesaid laudable custom, a practice hath grown up of connecting the names of such honourable institutions with the names of individuals to whom the sound of the human voice is peculiarly delightful, when it is their own voice, or the voice of one who soundeth their praise, in places where no man may contradict him;

And whereas the aforesaid practice hath grown to be an intolerable nuisance and a weariness to the flesh, by reason of its not being given to him that proposeth such toasts, nor to him that respondeth, to know when to leave off;

And whereas he that proposeth such toasts is apt to surround and muddle his proposition with vast quantities of tedious and irrelevant matter, to wit, twaddle bosh, rigmarole, butter, gammon, and spinach;

And whereas he that respondeth to such toasts, feels in duty bound to return other twaddle for the aforesaid twaddle, other bosh for the aforesaid bosh, other rigmarole for the aforesaid rigmarole, other butter for the aforesaid butter, and other divers and numberless bits of gammon and spinach, in addition to the other gammon and spinach hereinbefore recited as aforesaid;

And whereas it is desirable to prevent a recurrence of the great waste of time, which ought to be much better devoted to music, and legitimate conviviality, than to the encouragement of melancholy and steady drinking, which are found to be greatly promoted by the aforesaid practice;

Be it therefore enacted, by and with, &c., and under the advice, &c., that on all occasions when such toasts are given out to be drunk at banquets, public dinners, &c., both he that proposeth, and he that respondeth to, each and every toast, shall rise and begin to speak at one and the same time and that each of them shall have full leave and license to utter as much twaddle, bosh, rigmarole, butter, gammon, and spinach, as seemeth good to him, so long as the other continueth speaking; and that the one, whether it be he that proposeth, or he that respondeth for, such toast, and shall be soonest satisfied with the amount of twaddle, bosh, rigmarole, butter, gammon and spinach that he hath uttered, and shall sit down, shall be proclaimed the victor; and that the other, whether it be he that proposeth, or he that respondeth for such toast, shall be compelled to sit down also there and then, and keep the remainder of his twaddle, bosh, rigmarole, gammon and spinach to himself.

THE NEW LIGHT.

(*Indian Public Opinion.*)

It is not unamusing to observe how naturally Calcutta turns from the Viceroy who is now, with a light heart, making his way to England, to the new comer whose virtues are credited to him beforehand and whose smile confers immortality. The sight is as old as the world, but, like the sunrise, it is always new, and the several phases of flunkeyism are always interesting to critical observers. *Le roi est mort—Vive le roi*, will still be the cry; and an object for the adoration of the plush-wearers of the world, will always be in existance. The demand secures the supply, and as flies are providentially provided for spiders, so flunkies are created for the praise and use of Kings and Viceroys.

Lord Mayo, we have no doubt, is an exceedingly amiable man, of respectable abilities which he has to prove to be good by his policy in India. We hope and believe that he will turn out a good ruler, and we think that his past career gives some such promise; but, after all, he is not a statesman of the first order, nor do we owe Mr. Disraeli any enthusiastic gratitude for the Viceroy he has sent us. The Liberal journals of England indeed were unanimous in declaring that of all incompetent men, who could be sent to ruin India, Lord Mayo was the most incompetent, and that his recall was the only step which Mr. Gladstone could prudently take. This criticism we put down to the irritation naturally felt by the Liberal party at seeing one of the best appointments in the gift of the Crown falling to their rivals, and the Conservatives would probably have criticised a liberal appointment quite as severely. But, setting aside English criticism, what are the qualifications which, in India, are likely to obtain for a Viceroy flattering criticism? The first necessity is that he should give good dinners or at any rate dinners of such a kind that the few people who understand dining, or who profess to understand dining, may persuade the ignorant portion of the community that they are good dinners, even should they be of the most mediocre description. An American author considers that all criticism is expressed in oysters. If you entertain your critics on oysters, in whatever form, *au naturel* or scalloped, you will find that you are held up to admiration as the most wise, witty, original, profound, brilliant and elegant writer of the day. Should you not care to give supper parties to the critics, you are branded in every review as a stupid, ignorant plagiarist, a writer without brilliancy or style, whose opinions and aims are of the most objectionable character and whose one object has ever been to destroy and defile whatever is most sacred.

What does Calcutta care about the policy of a Viceroy so long as he has a French cook? To it the affairs of Central Asia and the moon are of equal interest, and the critics of the Bengal Club have not learned enough Geography to carry them successfully very far outside Bengal. But the logic of entrees and of entremets all can understand. The personal unpopularity of Sir John Lawrence was undoubtedly owing very much to the reputation he gained for bad dinners when his menage was in the hands of the most objectionable of Punjab doctors. Under better auspices, his popularity became greater, and in two years more he would have made a splendid reputation, through the aid of his cook. That this change in the estimate formed of Sir John was owing in a great measure to the circumstance we have mentioned is almost certain; for it could not have been his administration which excited a warmer admiration, for his best friends will admit that he became each year less vigorous and less able to rule wisely and strongly.

It is a great source of satisfaction to the flunkey class that India is once more to be governed by a lord. It is true that an Irish Earl is not accustomed to rank very high in the peerage, but nevertheless the dignity is real and the satisfaction felt by the British snob is consequently unbounded. We have been persistent opponents of Sir John's policy; but we have never attributed his shortcomings to his misfortune in not having been born a peer, with the hereditary right to rule over us and misgovern us to our hearts' content. And yet this has been said a thousand times. Sir John Lawrence was a plebeian, he was not born to the purple: he was good as a subordinate, but he did not know how to rule.

Sir John Lawrence, dislike him as much as we may, was nevertheless a great man, worth fifty hereditary legislators, and with as much ability for government as certainly fifty average peers possess between them. Compare Sir John Lawrence, the plebeian Viceroy, with the small Marquis, who left India with him in the same ship, and who is one day to inherit one of the greatest names in England, and ask the veriest flunkey who has still a spark of reason or courage or heart remaining, which of the two was truly the gentleman and the peer.

The idea that India can only be governed by a man with a title is absurd. If the best man you can find happens to have a title, so much the better: for he will add dignity to the high office; but the first thing to be found is the *best man*, the ruler, the true king of men. If you find him all will be well, even though he should only put Esquire after his name: if you find him not, the title of Duke or Marquis or Earl, tied to some official scarecrow, will not lead to a successful administration.

But the English people are naturally snobs, and would rather be misgoverned by a lord than well governed by a commoner.

Every thing that Lord Mayo does appears to please mightily the people of Calcutta. With what a grace he smiles: how courteously he speaks: how skilfully he says soft nothings to the wearisome deputations who delight to bore him! His state visit to the Opera reminds us of the imperial box at the grand Opera of Paris during the Exhibition, when half a dozen kings and innumerable princes, blazed at once on the dazzled world: How generous the directions to his aide-de-camp to pay particular attention to the middle aged and elderly ladies, at the Government House parties! It may be that the aide-de-camp may consider that ladies, like administrations are most charming when they are young; but this is a delusion which time cures, and experience will teach even aides-de-camp, if a kind Heaven has given them a capacity for learning, that it is the young girls who are inane and the older women who are alone delightful and intelligent as companions.

How sublime must be the horror of some middle aged woman of the world at seeing, by direction of H. E. the Viceroy, a tall, gauche aide-de-camp bearing down upon her, to engage her forcibly in conversation on the last ball, the last novel or the last race, the only topics which interest him and the only things which he partially understands.

The golden age of flunkeyism has not, however, yet arrived; a few months will see the Duke of Edinburgh amongst us, to receive the worship which he will consider his due. We shall smother him with roses or whatever flower takes the rose's place in India; we shall give him dinners and balls and "durbars," and make love to him, and caress him and applaud everything he deigns to do, and shall consider ourselves loyal when we, in reality, will only be showing our usual flunkeyism and expressing the Briton's "honest joy at being trampled upon by Royal or noble feet." The Duke of Edinburgh is by no means a model prince. Who think him the gallant, noble hearted sailor, chivalrous and unselfish and liberal may keep their belief for all we care: but at the same time those who know him the most intimately like him the least, and his only admirers are those who do not know him at all. But at any rate he is our prince. Let us throw up our hats, and cheer.

THE PUNJAB RAILWAY.

"INDIAN PUBLIC OPINION" of the 5th instant writes:—"One of those events which are at once the glory and disgrace of Lahore, has again taken place. The honesty of departments, stimulated by the expression of public opinion, shows at last signs of vitality, and it has almost become a dishonour in Lahore society to be lenient to crime. Virtuous indignation, which even offenders, whom time will bring to justice pretend to share, will no longer suffer the Punjab to be a hotbed of vice. This province, if loudest in its own praise, has at least the merit of being the most uncompromising in the exposure of its defects. Bombay, the North-West-Provinces, Bengal and Madras, are Augean Stables which require their Hercules, as much as the Punjab, but no one has yet been found to do for the rest of India what we have had the courage to do for ourselves. Our contemporaries may talk of the 'Lahore scandals,' but we, accepting the reproach, can rejoice at the triumphs over abuses which have rewarded our endeavours.

'Last Wednesday Mr. Von Hafen, one of the mischievous brood which Colonel Elphinstone's care reared into disastrous maturity, was proved a worthy disciple of the master whom he 'assisted' and was, unfortunately unlike his patron, condemned to two years and a half rigorous imprisonment. Convicted of criminal misappropriation, after a trial which reflects credit on the patience and impartiality of the Judge, Colonel Coxe, and the assessors, his only chance lies now in an appeal to the Chief Court and of that chance, we hope, the prisoner will avail himself. Our purpose is not to press on an unfortunate fellow-creature, but to point out that the long suffering of the Punjab will soon be exhausted unless the better management of the Punjab Railway prevents the recurrence of those sickening scenes in which one after the other of its overpaid employés is led from the court to the central jail. In General Abbott's ability and high sense of honour we, in common with the public, repose the most perfect confidence, but he will greatly err if he supposes that *all* the opponents of the abominable regime, for which his own has been so auspiciously substituted, were men characterized by public spirit and incorruptible honesty, though it must be admitted, in justice to the late Agent, that no one in this province who had the least claim to a tarnished reputation escaped his sympathy and patronage.

'Long before official sagacity ferreted out what had been the talk of the station for a whole year, the corruption of the Railway Department formed the subject matter of constant attacks in our paper. But when once put on the track, we certainly did not expect the railway authorities to discover only in 1869 a crime committed at the close of the turbulent year 1867. Still less do we expect them to extend immunity to any who may be suspected to have been guilty of gross irregularity during the very period in which commissions sat and actions were prosecuted in the Courts.

'We are no partizans of any clique, but we believe that those for whom we fought, to our own injury, are deserving of the power which they now wield. But we do not extend the charity to weakness of vacilation, which we have denied to vigour when coupled with wrong. There are circumstances in which public policy and principle have to ignore mercy. The destruction of whatever is wrong is the first duty of public men, and it is almost equally fatal to the common weal to hush up, as it is to commit, a crime."

LOVE A LA MODE.

WHAT a funny thing married life will be when women have got their rights; and what an odd style of poetry may be expected to take the place of the love poetry that men have been hitherto in the habit of writing, from Petrarch to Patmore. Instead of expressing dependence for happiness on ladies' smiles, we shall have our poets celebrating the difficulty with which they struggle with them for practice as lawyers and doctors, or the injuries to their noses and eyes received from their light but sharp fists. Hitherto in Parliament and at public dinners they have been conventionally absent; and if on a cold night the rustling of feminine attire, or the silver sneeze for which she is celebrated, betrayed in the galleries the presence of woman, the fact, while it lent a zest to eloquence, failed to restrain its freedom. But how would our most successful orators be able to stem the torrent if the floodgates of female eloquence were once let loose against them? Or how would Mr. Speaker be able to call to order the noble lady the Membress for Clackmannan? Poetry has survived gunpowder, and railways, and many unromantic steps in the world's progress; but to put women on a footing of physical competition with man would take away its food and it would die of inanition. Imagination calls up the

LAST LOVE SONG.

Let the confident freshness of youth
Record its extravagant vows;
But for my part I've found out the truth
Of my fond, but competitive spouse.
My sleeplessness renders me wild,
When my hopes on a nap had been pinned;

But I had to get up to the child
While she wrote her work on The Wind.
In the morning I can't find my pants,
My gaiters, my gun and my clogs;
She has gone out to shoot at her aunt's
Having just been and physicked the dogs,

I am told, when I get into town,
That she's turned off my favorite clerk,
And a man thinks of knocking me down
Whom she caned t'other day in the Park.
We've been married this ten years and more,
But, in promising love unto death.

Did I know that she drank, smoked and swore,
And her temper was worse than her breath?
Ere the state of my feelings she learns
I believe I have only one chance—
To leave her whatever she earns,
And be off in a feigned name to France.

So farewell to all civilized parts
Where this new-flown philosophy spreads,
And farewell to all rhymes about Cupid and darts,
For the ladies of England have done with our hearts,
And have taken to breaking our heads!

—*Pioneer.*

LADY MAYO'S DRAWING ROOM.

THE event of the week (writes the *Indian Examiner* of the 6th) has been the Drawing-room. Nothing like it in splendour or completeness has been seen in Calcutta within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. The dresses of the ladies would require the pen of a Moore or a Praed to describe them, and the spirits of the gentlemen yielded to the enchantment of the beautiful scene that surrounded them, and they seemed to forget for the nonce the reserve and *gaucherie*, which they used to make a point of bringing with them on some not distant occasions, to which, under the new *regime*, it would not be considerate to refer too exactly. The arrangements that were made conduced, in the highest degree, to place the visitors at their ease, and to conduct the ceremonies with due dignity and freedom from interruption. When the Countess left her seat and advanced among the company (none of the ladies, whatever may be, their comparative estimates of one other's costume, will, I am sure, deny that she was the best dressed lady in the rooms) the *coup d'œil* was really splendid. The demeanour of the Earl and Countess was truly regal and gave a tone to all that brilliant assembly. The courtesy and gentlemanly bearing of the new Aides-de-camp were the subject of general remark, and it is even hoped that under the influence of such examples one of the old Aides-de-camp, who affects the language of the cabstand, and the Trades' Union may be induced to dilute his vocabulary, and not make so much use of a certain Blank adjective, which should certainly never be uttered within the range of ears polite, but which he is too much accustomed to press into his conversation on great occasions—the Viceregal visit to the Opera, to wit—or to folly. Perhaps now that he has got a monopoly of the word in question, he will keep it in his head, or some other empty place.

I have but one authentic announcement to make before I dismiss this subject, yet I hesitate to make it, because it will seem incredible to those whose ideas of Viceregal hospitality are founded upon immediate precedent. The wine was good—yes—the wine in Government House, Calcutta, was positively and absolutely good—nay it was more; it was so good that some ladies, too long accustomed to the flimsy acids of cheap dealers and thrifty Governors—could not, at first, appreciate it. But I—"Oh, my dear old friend, how long is it since I have met you *here*." I exclaimed, with Don Cæsar de Bazan, as I saw the first bubble mount to the top of the glass of champagne—*real* champagne—which I silently quaffed to the health and welfare of the new Viceroy and his lady.

And were there no heart-burnings in that splendid place—no small jealousies, no petty rivalries, no dear old quarrels to revive, no promising new ones to begin? Were the rise and fall of *all* those dainty leaves, and flowers, and laces, and fall-lals, due to simple contentment and modest pride, and no cause else? Did no little foot beat the ground now and then, in pique or anger? Were no red lips bitten, just a little, and no bright eyes turned aside, just for a moment, when Somebody who was, by right Divine, Nobody, appeared on the scene, and received as much kindly courtesy as the Nobodies, who also the right Divine, were Somebodies—and no mistake? Did none of those fair and fashionable loyalists, grudge some of their fair neighbours their share of the Viceregal welcome, especially when they saw that among them were ladies as fair as themselves and (just for the sake of argument) a little better dressed? I fear me, yes; for when I exchanged the champagne glass for the inkstand and returned to my desk the next morning, I found it already heaped with letters pointing out the shocking impropriety of admitting "commercial persons" to the hallowed precincts of the drawing-room, and afterwards I was honoured with visits to the same effect. Yes, ladies and gentlemen, your humble servant was entreated, and instructed, to remedy this erying innovation. His eyes were opened a little wider than usual with the contents of some of the briefs that he was requested to hold. He was taught that ladies have nick-names, in Calcutta, as well as gentlemen, and that is the pleasant habit of some "witty fellows" (his informant's own words) to fasten upon them some phrase reflecting upon the peculiarities or the professions of their husbands or fathers. One preeminently "witty fellow" of this kind had absolutely attained the height of nick-naming a certain lady (in the absence of her husband and a horsewhip), the *Rance Chatnee*, because her husband is a partner in a firm that deals in that condiment; and this witty fellow, who is very probably retailing his joke at this moment, is one whom you are accustomed to meet with confidence and make welcome at your tables, and I fancy he is not the only person who turns his opportunities to such abuses. But do you never—not you, madam, of course—but do *no* ladies ever smile at an unfeeling jest against another? Is it *quite* unpardonable to "hint a fault" in your neighbours' head-dress or grammar? I have a letter in a very neat hand, with but one word misspelled in it, and my fair correspondent writes, "it is not likely that Earl Mayo can know everybody, and it would be as well" (as well as what?) "for somebody to put him on his guard against *these* sort of people." *(sic)* meaning some ladies whom the writer was horrified to meet at Government House, and *whose names she mentions, though with interesting delicacy, she doesn't mention her own.* She signs herself L. A Fic L. A! Such petty jealousies are enough to make one as angry as the shade of Virgil was with Dante when he stopped to listen to a dispute in—a very low place. "Che voler ciò udire e bassa voglia?"

BOMBAY.

PILGRIMS FOR JEDDAH AND HOODEIDA.—The ship *Hydree*, Nacoda, sailed yesterday for Jeddah and Hoodeida with 360 pilgrims.

THE MEDICAL AND PHYSICAL SOCIETY.—The meeting of this Society, notified to take place on Saturday next, is postponed until four P.M., on Saturday the 6th of March.

THE POONA SMALL CAUSE COURT.—Rao Bahadoor Bhasker Damodhur, Principal Sudder Ameen of Poona, as a temporary measure assumed charge of the Small Cause Court at that station on the 3rd instant.

THE MINT.—The value of silver ready for coinage in the Bombay Mint at the close of last week was Rs. 99,44,151, the value of the silver not assayed being Rs. 28,13,176; of the total, 93 lakhs belonged to the Currency Department.

THE INDO-BRITISH INSTITUTION.—The annual meeting of the Indo-British Institution will, as announced, take place this evening at five o'clock in the boys' school. The Right Rev. H. A. Douglas, D. D., will occupy the chair. The attendance of friends and upporters of the Institution is invited.

WEATHER REPORT.—We see from the weather report of the Ahmedabad collectorate for the fortnight ending 31st January that the weather was rather hot with occasional clouds. The state of the rubbee crops was reported to be fair in the zillah. The state of public health was good, and cattle were free from disease.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.—The annual treat to the children attending the various Sunday Schools in Bombay will take place this evening, at 6 o'clock, at the Free General Assembly's Institution, Kalbadevie. Omnibusses have been engaged for the conveyance of the little ones to and from the Institution.

PASSENGERS FROM LIVERPOOL.—Stearns, Hobart, & Co.'s steamer *Neera*, Captain Hanscom, arrived yesterday from Liverpool, with the following passengers:—Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Germain, and Mrs. Sarran. The *Neera* left Liverpool on 14th Dec., and Maritius on 13th January.

ADMISSION OF A BARRISTER.—Yesterday, Mr. Bal Mangesh Wagle took the usual oath before Sir Joseph Arnould, and was admitted as an advocate in the High Court of Bombay. His Lordship shook hands with Mr. Bal Mangesh, and congratulated him on being the first barrister who has qualified in this country.

REVENUE COLLECTIONS.—In the month of November the gross collections in respect of the Profession and Trade Taxes in the presidency of Bombay amounted to Rs. 59,719-15-0, and the net collections (after deducting refunds) to Rs. 56,633-4-2. On account of the Stamp Revenue the gross collection amounted to Rs. 3,90,878-10-10 and the net collections to Rs. 3,83,750-6-11.

THE LOSS OF THE SHIP "L'AGOUHANNA."—Mr. John Connon, Acting Chief Magistrate of Police, and Lieutenant G. O'Brien Carew, late I. N., have been appointed by Government to conduct an investigation into the circumstances connected with the loss by fire of the ship *L'Agouhanna* on the 2nd inst., about thirty miles west of Kurnee and a hundred miles south-west of Bombay. The investigation will commence next Tuesday, at 2 o'clock, at the Fort Police Office.

MOVEMENTS OF TROOPS.—Troops are expected from Kurrachee per H. M.'s steamer *Coromandel*, which left Kurrachee on 10th instant and is expected to arrive in Bombay on the 14th. The troops expected are—Captain W. DeW. R. Thackwell, and Lieut. T. V. Sheppard; 2 commissioned officers, 1 wife and 1 child; 1 warrant officer, 2 Staff Surgeons, 1 wife and 3 children, 163 invalids and time-expired men, 12 women, 37 children, and 4 public followers.

THE CURRENCY.—The following shows the amount of each kind of currency note of the Bombay Circle in circulation on the 7th February, as compared with the amount in circulation on the 31st ultimo:—

		7th Feb.	31st Jan.
Rs.	10 Note	Rs. 23,37,050	Rs. 23,08,330
Rs.	20 "	Rs. 14,54,740	Rs. 14,41,660
Rs.	50 "	Rs. 26,45,450	Rs. 26,31,150
Rs.	100 "	Rs. 48,71,200	Rs. 48,37,800
Rs.	500 "	Rs. 15,64,000	Rs. 16,10,500
Rs.	1,000 "	Rs. 3,02,92,000	Rs. 2,95,45,000
	Total...	Rs. 4,24,95,440	Rs. 4,17,74,500

SUNNERSETT CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—The total number of patients treated in this Dispensary during the last month was 500. Of these 331 were Hindoos, of whom 237 were males; 25 Mussulmans, 16 being males; 130 Parsees, 49 being males; 3 Christians, 2 being males; and 11 of other castes, of whom 9 were males. With regard to ages there were 107 under ten years of age, 71 under twenty, 236 between twenty and forty, 65 between forty and sixty, and 21 upwards of sixty. Out of the 500 patients treated, 257 were cured, 198 absented, and 45 are remaining under treatment.

ST. MARY'S INSTITUTION, Nesbit Lane, has been recognised by the Syndicate of the University of Bombay, at a meeting held on the 31st ultimo, as a College for degrees in Arts, from the beginning of the present year, under the name of "Bombay St. Xavier's College." Our readers are aware that a building for St. Xavier's College is being raised on the Esplanade; and it is expected it will be ready in a year hence. It is because the staff of the College are at present at St. Mary's Institution, that the University has recognised the institution as a College. We are asked to say that students who wish to join should lose no time in doing so, as otherwise they will not complete their first term.

HIGH COURT DECREE.—Yesterday in the High Court Mr. Justice Westropp gave decree in a summary suit at the instance of Chotalal Purshotumdass against Mahomed Hoosein for Rs. 3,000, the amount of a bill, with interest at 9 per cent, and costs.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Yesterday an inquest was held at the Parell village, touching the death of a Hindoo labourer named Rama Suzna. On Wednesday afternoon, the deceased and other labourers were working in a quarry at the village, when suddenly a slip occurred, and the deceased was buried under the debris. An alarm was raised and his body was recovered, but life was extinct. A verdict of accidental death was returned by the jury.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—On Monday evening last, a horse while standing attached to a buggy at the Circus tent took fright, and upset the buggy, slightly injuring two Europeans who were sitting in it. The animal then ran towards the Kalbadavie road, and before it could be stopped, hurt two natives severely. A policeman immediately conveyed the latter to the Jamsetjee Hospital for treatment.

FOUND DROWNED.—An inquest was held yesterday at the Boree Bunder Custom House Chowkey, in reference to the death of Sumsoodin Bhowdin, a boatman. It appears that deceased was last seen alive in his tony on Wednesday afternoon last. Search was made for him, but he could not be found. His body was found after the ebb-tide, lying close to the tony. The jury returned a verdict of found drowned.

SMALL CAUSE COURT.—Yesterday a case was called on in the Small Cause Court, before the First Judge, in which Messrs. Volkart Brothers were the plaintiffs, and Abba Fuckeera was defendant. The suit was brought to recover Rs. 948-12-5, the balance of account due by defendant on consignments of glassware and other goods ordered by him through the plaintiffs. The Judge gave a verdict for the plaintiffs for the amount claimed, with costs, Rs. 51. Mr. Jehanghier Merwanjee appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Khunderao Morojee for the defendant.

ILLEGAL TRANSPORT OF SULPHUR.—The Marwarry named Punalall Chooneelal was brought up on remand yesterday, before Mr. Nana Morojee, and charged with attempting to transport two barrels of sulphur from Bombay to Khundwah without having obtained a license for the same from the Commissioner of Police. From the evidence it appeared that on the 4th instant, between 11 and 12 o'clock noon, the prisoner went to one Cooverjee Cowasjee, a consignment note clerk in the employ of the G. I. P. Railway Company, and asked him to prepare a consignment note for thirty-five parcels, which, he said, he had to transmit to Khundwah. He pointed out the parcels, which were lying near the station. Among them the clerk noticed two casks, which the prisoner said contained alum. The Parsee examined the casks the same evening at the station, and found that they contained sulphur. The Magistrate adjourned the case for further enquiry till to-morrow.

MORTUARY RETURNS.—The total number of deaths registered during the week ending Tuesday, 9th February, was 379, being an increase of 34 as compared with the preceding week, 80 more than the total of the week ending 11th February 1868, and 67 less than the mean of the corresponding period in the previous five years. During the week 71 births were reported.

The following table shows the principal causes of death in the different districts of the city:—

Section or Sub-Section.	Population by Census of 1865.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Measles.	Fever.	Other diseases.	Accidents and Violence.	Unknown Causes.	Total Reported Deaths exclusive of Still-born.	Total Reported Births in the week exclusive of still-born.
Colaba	19,161			2	3	4			9	...
Fort, Southern	2,455									...
Fort, Northern	39,258				22	10			12	2
Esplanade	7,809				2	6			9	...
Market	75,492	1	1		7	13			22	4
Mandwee	41,152	2	2		6	11			21	4
Chuckla	41,442				4	21			25	15
Oomberkharee	63,020	2	4	1	4	21			32	20
Dongree	60,259		3	1	5	7	2		18	10
Dhobeetalao	71,750	1	1	3	4	11			20	2
Pannuswaree	22,520	1		2	4	6			13	...
Bhooloshwur	50,282		2	3	6	5	1		17	...
Khurtalao	23,454		4	1	5	3			13	9
Koombarwara	23,085	1	3	1	2	5			12	1
Khetwaree	29,177	2	1		5	5			13	1
Girgaum	21,505	14			3	7			24	1
Chaupatee	6,184	10			1	4			16	...
Walkeshwur	10,094	2			2	3			7	...
Mahaluxmee	9,144					1			1	...
Mazagon	27,781			1		6			8	...
Tarwaree	9,462				3	2			5	...
Kamathepoora	81,675	8	3		27	17			55	...
Parel	17,092		1		2	1			4	...
Scoree	5,042								2	1
Sco	12,078	2							2	...
Mahim	19,430	2			1	2			5	...
Worlee	10,211					1			2	1
Harbour	32,582					3			3	...
Non-Resident and Unknown	...				2	4			6	...
Bombay	816,562	37	29	22	112	176	3	...	379	71
Mean of the corresponding weeks in the preceding 5 years		40	21	7	231	141	6	...	446	...

The following statement shows the number of deaths in the different races or castes:—

RACE OR CASTE.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Measles.	Fever.	Other diseases.	Accidents and Violence.	Unknown Causes.	Total Reported Deaths exclusive of Still-born.	Total Reported Births exclusive of still-born.
Boodhist—Jain, &c	...	1	...	3	10	1	15		1
Brahmin	...	...	...	1	6	...	7		1
Lingact	...	...	...	1	...	...	1		...
Moslin	...	1	...	2	3	...	6		1
Hindoo of other Caste	35	13	15	60	74	2	199		25
Hindoo out-caste	...	1	2	14	7	...	24		4
Mussulman	1	11	2	24	41	...	80		33
Parsee	...	2	4	20	...	...	26		4
Jew	...	...	...	1	...	...	1		...
Native Christian	1	1	...	3	7	...	12		1
Indo-European	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...
European	...	...	...	...	6	...	6		1
Negro-African	...	1	...	...	2	...	3		...
Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...
Unknown Races	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...
Total	37	29	22	112	176	3	379		71
Corresponding week, 1868	...	21	...	122	153	3	299		5

LENTEN LECTURES AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

WE are requested to announce that Lenten Lectures will be delivered at St. John's Church, Colaba, on the following dates (Fridays) at 6 o'clock P.M. The subjects are also mentioned:

12th February	Sincerity.
19th "	Sorrow for Sin.
26th "	Abstinence.
5th March	Prayer.
12th "	Almsgiving.
19th "	Humility.

BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.

THE monthly meeting of the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society was held yesterday afternoon—the Rev. Dr. Wilson, Honorary President, in the chair. Chevalier Dr. von Scherzer, who is in charge of the scientific section of the Austrian Expedition to Asia and America, and is at present in Bombay, was present on invitation, and the Chairman gave a "running lecture" on the Museum and other matters connected with Oriental Antiquities and Research, and moved that Dr. von Scherzer be appointed an honorary member of the Society, and that a copy of the Society's journal should be presented to him. Dr. Bhau Daji seconded in a few neat sentences, welcoming the traveller to this country, alike in the name of humanity and of science. Dr. von Scherzer acknowledged the welcome and compliment in fitting terms, and presented the Society with a copy of an elaborate journal of his travels in most parts of the world.

THE DUTY ON EUROPE TWIST AND PIECE-GOODS.

ON the 30th January the Under Secretary to the Government of India, in the Revenue Department, addressed the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay as follows, on a subject interesting to the mercantile community:—

"SIR,—I am directed to acknowlege the receipt of your endorsement No. 119, dated 11th January 1869, submitting papers relating to a petition presented by certain merchants in Bombay appealing against orders of the Customs Department under which Europe twist and Europe piece-goods country-dyed are held liable to a duty of 3 per cent. *ad valorem*, and conveying the the opinion of the Government of Bombay that duty should be charged only on the dye, and not on the goods themselves.

"In reply I am to observe that His Excellency the Governor General in Council agrees with the Government of Bombay in thinking that there should be no export duty on goods of the class specified, but His Excellency would go further, and exempt even the dye from taxation."

A NEW STEAMER OF THE B. & B. S. S. COMPANY.

THE second of the B. and B. S.S. Co.'s large steamers, the *Neera*, Captain Hanscom, arrived in harbour yesterday afternoon.

The *Neera* is a sister boat of the *Magdala*, 2,200 tons burthen and 300-horse power, and has made a capital run. Leaving Liverpool at noon on the 14th December, she reached Port Louis on the 25th January, and after filling up with sugar resumed her voyage to Bombay on the 30th, completing the voyage in 53 days under steam, or within a day of the time occupied by the *Magdala*.

The *Neera* has brought several European and some native passengers from Mauritius, and 2 European passengers from Liverpool. Her cargo from Liverpool consists of about 3,000 packages of Manchester goods, and she had also 12,000 bags of sugar from Mauritius.

The *Neera* experienced very heavy weather coming down channel and crossing the Bay of Biscay, which did considerable damage to her decks and cabins The captain and crew of a "French lugger" were picked up in the Bay of Biscay by the *Neera*, and no opportunity offering for their transhipment into a homeward bound ship they were brought on to Mauritius and were sent on thence to Bombay by the French Consul to be sent home overland.

The *Neera* takes her first turn on the Suez line on the 25th instant.

COMMERCE OF THE BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

THE Customs returns of the amounts collected as import and export duty at the different ports in the Presidency of Bombay for the month of October last have just been published. From the tables it appears that the total amount collected at the ports in the Presidency (exclusive of the province of Sind) was,—imports, Rs. 5,88,329-11-0, and exports, Rs. 19,358-5-11. At the ports in Sind, Rs. 15,755-2-3 was collected as import duty and Rs. 16,019-15-9 as export duty. So that adding together the receipts in Sind and the receipts at ports in other parts of the Presidency, we have a total income on imports of Rs. 6,04,084-13-3, and on exports Rs. 35,378-5-8. Of the total import duty Rs. 5,86,619-2-10 was contributed by Bombay, which port contributed Rs. 13,772-9-3 of the total export duties. Of the twenty-three ports in the Presidency (exclusive of Sind) eight contributed no import duties, and at seven no export duties were collected. At Vingorla, only 3 annas and 7 pies was collected as import and Rs. 7-0-2 as export duty; while at Rajpooree the import duties were Rs. 2-0-10, and the export duties nil. Of the Rs. 5,88,329-11-0 collected as import duty in the ports in the Presidency, the largest item, as usual, was piece-goods, on which Rs. 1,99,546-15-0 was collected. Upwards of Rs. 35,000 was levied on metals and manufactures in metal, and apparel figures more largely than might have been expected, viz, Rs. 13,111-15-1. Liquors provide an import revenue of Rs. 84,062-13-3. Piece-goods also forms the largest item in the export table, Rs. 3,221-2-11 having been collected on this article; Rs. 5,138-2-2 was collected on gram and pulse; and the revenue from Cashmere shawls was Rs. 2,675-7-11. Sind makes large imports of vegetables; Rs. 2,419-10-0 was levied on this item at the ports in Sind during October. The exports of gram and pulse from Sind yielded a revenue of Rs. 8,296-0-0, and Rs. 3,413-11-3 was levied on seeds exported.

The total treasure imported into the Bombay Presidency during October amounted in value to Rs. 35,968, of which Rs. 26,075 was in gold; while the total value of treasure exported was Rs. 1,000, and this sum was all in silver.

THE MUNICIPAL BILL FOR TAXING TRADES AND PROFESSIONS.

THE following is a Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council of Bombay, on the Bill for taxing Professions and Trades within the City of Bombay for Municipal purposes:—

The Bill and papers connected with it have been considered by your Committee, and they beg to report as follows:

All reference to Stamps has been struck out. If the General Stamp Law be applicable it can be enforced, otherwise it is not desirable to impose the duty.

The fine to be imposed in the event of non-production of the certificate has been reduced to Rs. 50.

In Section XIX. it is considered desirable to revert to a scale of tax similar to that imposed under (Bombay) Act IV. of 1867 (Schedule A), adding thereto provision for the taxing of Companies who have agencies in Bombay, but whose head offices are elsewhere. A new Schedule

FLYING MACHINES.

NEARLY a quarter of a century has passed since Mr. Roebuck introduced a measure into the House of Commons intended to utilize an aerial machine from which at that time great things were anticipated. The "Aerial Transit Bill" was read a first time, but was presently withdrawn. Proposals were made, however, in 1843, to form an aerial navigation company; and many of our readers will doubtless remember the model of an ellipsoidal balloon (intended to be propelled by the Archimedian screw) which was exhibited at Adelaide Gallery at that time.

Recently the subject of aerostation has attracted fresh attention. A society, called the Aeronautical Society of Great Britain, has been formed, of which the Duke of Argyll is President. Many leading scientific men, too, are supporters of this society. In fact, aerostation is no longer looked upon as the amusement of a few ingenious mechanicians, but has been elevated into the rank of a science. Papers have been read at the meetings of this society, which, without actually solving the problem of aerial navigation, contain suggestions at once novel and promising.

It is probable that there are few mechanical subjects which have received a larger share of attention with less profitable results than the science of aerostation. From the days of Dædalus and Icarus to the present there have always been experimenters in the art of flying; and for every experimenter we may count hundreds who have pondered upon the subject without putting their notions into practice. In fact, we touch here on the main difficulty of successfully attacking the broblem. In most other subjects of mechanical inquiry a man can conduct preliminary experiments without discomfort or danger, and at least without the fear of making himself ridiculous. But the experimenter in aerostation is compelled to put his first, and necessarily imperfect, notions into practice in a way which can hardly be hidden from the eyes of men. Anyone who fits himself into an elaborate system of machinery, and, attempting to fly by its aid, is presently precipitated upon his nose, is hardly calculated to excite admiration, though in reality he is only doing what every experimenter has had to do—that is, making tentative and unsuccessful attempts. There is scarcely an instance in the history of invention of a successful first attempt; and of all problems ever submitted to mechanical ingenuity that which is least likely to be solved at a first trial is the problem of aerial navigation.

Aerostation is in reality a very much more ancient science than "ballooning." Aulus Gellius relates that Archytas of Parentum (400—345 B.C.), constructed an automaton dove "so contrived as by a certain mechanical art and power to fly, so nicely was it balanced by weights and put in motion by hidden and enclosed air." In speaking of this machine Cardan has discussed the great difficulty involved in all flying machines; that, namely, of proportioning the motive power to the sustentation of the weight of the machinery requisite for producing it. "We see no reason," says he, "why such construction should not be put in motion, particularly by a favourable breeze.... The light construction of the body would contribute to this result; as would likewise the largeness of that wings and the strength of the wheels; and it is probale that this pigeon would take its flight in a certain fashion but with a wavering motion, as lamps do. Thus it would occasionally mount upwards spontaneously, flutter its wings, then leave off suddenly and fall—its motive power being unequal to the weight."

A machine which a man could work by his own strength, so as to raise himself for any considerable time from the ground, is hardly to be thought of. Borelli showed long since in his work, "De Motu Animalium," that it is not possible for men to fly, however ingenious may be the machinery devised to sustain them in their attempts. He compared the enormous power of the pectoral muscles of birds with the weakness of those of man, and showed that, independently of this want of power, men are not adapted for flight on account of the comparative heaviness of their frames. Indeed, in the few instances of aerial locomotion successfully accomplished by the aid of wings it will be found that the distance attained has always been proportional to the height from which the person has projected himself. We are told, for example, that in Edward the Confessor's time a certain English monk flew to the distance of two hundred yards; but he had projected himself on this flight from the summit of a church tower. An Italian mechanician (also of a holy order by the way) invented a few years later a mode of flying to a great distance from a height; but in exhibiting his powers before James IV. of Scotland he fell to the ground and broke his thigh. M. Besnier devised a mode of flight which enabled him to cross a river of some width, but he was quite unable to raise himself from the ground by the aid of wings alone.

There seems to be no reason, however, why machinery should not be devised by which aerial vehicles could be successfully propelled. Some of the results which have been recently attained seemed to promise the solution of this problem; though it may be doubted whether the time is near at hand when the air will become "the silent highway" of intercourse between the nations of the earth.

The great feature of modern inquiries into the subject of aerostation is the scientific investigation which has been applied to the relation subsisting between weight and the required sustaining surface. In a paper by M. de Lucy, of Paris, the results are detailed of a series of actual experiments on the extent of wing-surface observed in the case of insects and birds. He arrives at the conclusion that the extent of surface requisite to sustain aerial machines has been largely overestimated, and that by a proper arrangement machines much less inconvenient than those devised on the old assumptions respecting the necessity of a very widely extended supporting surface might be made use of.

It will be remembered by many of our readers that Henson took out (in 1843) a patent for an aerial ship which he had devised. It was in connexion with this invention that Mr. Roebuck brought in his Aerial Transit Bill, which was intended to utilize aerial navigation. The machine devised by Henson was to have been buoyed up by an enormous area of canvas or oiled silk. The whole apparatus was to weight 3,000 lbs., and each of the two wings was to contain 4,500 square feet, the tail 1,505 feet, making in all upwards of 6,000 square feet. However, the machine was never constructed on this scale. In 1844 Henson and Stringfellow commenced together the construction of a smaller aerial machine. Henson attended to the framework, Stringfellow to the motive power. The weight of the model was about 26 lbs. The sustaining power was derived from two wings, each three and a half feet wide, and the whole length of the wings, from tip to tip, was about twenty feet. Thus there were seventy feet of surface in the wings; and the tail gave ten feet more.

This machine proved a failure, owing to faults in the construction. A smaller model, made in 1846 by Mr. Stringfellow alone, was much more successful. In this, as in the former case, the machine was suffered to slide down an inclined plane until the resistance of the air buoyed it up, so that on reaching the point of detachment it was floating, so to speak, upon the air. So successfully had the conditions requisite for the purpose been attended to that in the actual experiments the machine gradually rose after leaving the inclined plane, and continued to do so until it reached the further end of the room in which the experiments were conducted. It often rose as much as one in seven. The machine was exhibited at Cremorne, where it made a flight of about forty yards, being then only stopped for want of space.

Of late Mr. Stringfellow has taken advantage of the attention which the subject of aerostation is now attracting to make new experiments. It had been suggested by Mr. F. H. Wenham, at a meeting of the Aeronautical Society, that the supporting surface of an aerial machine may be arranged as effectually in superposed planes as in a single widely-extended plane surface. Mr. Stringfellow availed himself of this idea, and recently a model, constructed on this plan, was exhibited at the Crystal Palace. The success of this machine was hardly as great, however, as that which had attended Mr. Stringfellow's earlier attempt.

Other suggestions, into which we have not space now to enter, have been made, and the whole subject is receiving an amount of attention which promises soon to have valuable results.

It may be remarked, in conclusion, that it will not be sufficient to devise a machine which can be supported by wing-flapping alone—since such machine would be fit for the purposes of aerial navigation. Sea-sickness would be a trifle compared with the effects which would be experienced by travellers in an aerial machine of such a sort. A forward propulsive power applied to a machine so supported on inclined planes that the action of the air would exert a continual and steady upward pressure, is more nearly what is required; though something seems to be hoped for from the effect of vertical spindles caused to rotate rapidly, after the manner of the toys, so common with children, which fly up to the ceiling and stay there for a considerable space of time. Fans such as these would be to air-boats what the screw propeller is to the steam-boats.—*Daily News.*

IT is the fashion of some Paris papers to speak of the toilettes of ladies of the *monde* and *demi-monde* in the same breath. Two members of the aristocracy have written to the *Gaulois* to demand that their wives' names may not be mentioned. In case the editor transgresses he will be liable to a fine according to the law Guillouet.

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THE LATEST NOVELTY ON THE PARISIAN STAGE

PARIS, JAN. 12.

ANOTHER of those pieces which, for the last fifteen years, take for their aim the portraiture of modern society in France, M. Sardou's *Séraphine*, has achieved a brilliant and indisputable success. It was at first named *La Dévote*, but the *Censure* would not let this stand any more than it would allow the personage now called Chapelard to be *Monsieur l'Abbé*. Who these small subterfuges deceive (or satisfy) it would be wondrous hard to say, but we must presume that some one is gratified by them, or deems them useful, for they continue to be practised regularly and rather more than they were under the reign of that absolute King Phœbus Louis XIV.

Well, then, *La Dévote*, as it was originally styled, hits, as its name will amply inform you, at the hourly-growing usurpations of the Sacristy in the present society of France. You may call it *Séraphine*, and nothing more, and turn the spiritual adviser into a plain layman as much as you choose; but the public is not for one single instant duped, and knows as well who it is face to face with as if you left the original personages in their original cowls, surplices, and "soutanes."

Séraphine is a woman who was beautiful, and has taken refuge in fanaticism as another form of dominion, before her beauty has left her. She was married off in her early youth to a colonel de l'empire twenty years older than herself. They have two daughters, the elder just married to a man "like any other man," a "man about town," and the other just returned from her convent, a girl of sixteen. This girl, Yvonne, is, however, not the daughter of the Colonel de Rosanges; she is, in fact, the daughter of a man whom Madame de Rosanges was (she believed) passionately attached to during the early years of her wedded life, the Admiral de Montignac.

The whole drama turns upon the struggle between Séraphine, the mother of this poor child, and her former lover, who knows himself to be the real father of the girl, but who, before the world, has only the position of her godfather. Séraphine has determined in her own mind that, Yvonne shall pay for her mother's sins, and she deliberately prepares to sacrifice the girl by shutting her up ruthlessly in a convent, and forcing her to take the veil. This the Admiral discovers, and then begins the struggle, and a fierce one it is; not fiercer however, I fancy, than has been waged in more than one of the families of those who go to listen to it at the *Gymnase*.

And here comes the interest of all these kind of theatrical representations in France. It is not the fictitious joy or sorrow of this or that stage hero which it is important to observe or chronicle (I should never be worth while); it is the sudden and impetuous self-incarnation of the spectators in this or that personage—their indentification with this or that sentiment, that it is so curious to mark.

Twenty years ago *Séraphine* would have exercised no action on a Parisian public; the Sacristy was innocuous then, kept itself to itself, Jesuits were banished, and, except in isolated cases, no family had to suffer under the harsh rule of a narrow-minded vulgar priest, more ignorant of the Christian religion than of aught else on earth. Times are altered now, and under a despotism far more hostile to human intelligence than was that of Louis XIV., the same evils flourish anew that flourished during the dictatorship of Madame de Maintenon's satiated husband.

The false devotion of Tartuffe is more active and more offensive now than it was two centuries ago, and hence the application made by the public of every line of such plays as *Sardou's Dévote*. When Planterose, the man of the world, who married Agathe, the eldest daughter of the colonel, describes the way in which his mother-in-law strives to separate his wife from him, and keep her prostrated, as it were, permanently at the foot of the altar, and when he declares that he wants to love his wife, and wants her to love him, and that his belief is that the basis of all civilisation is the conjugal tie, the public of all parts of the house, except the dress boxes, breaks out in enthusiasm—and what does that mean? That means that the members of all classes in France are longing to see certain old customs and traditions overthrown, longing to see man work and be rewarded, longing to see him love and wed whom he loves, longing, in fact (for it all comes to that in the end), for a healthier state of social being, namely, as I told you some weeks since, for "more life and fuller." These instincts of the immense majority, still regarded with contempt and abhorrence by the "select few" are largely shared in by the "select few's" grandsons; and the lads of sixteen and a few years upwards all go with M. de Planterose, though they may not care to say so.

There is another equally curious feature to note. M. de Planterose, in a conversation with the Admiral (touching whose former connection with Séraphine he is naturally in utter ignorance), indulges in a vigorous tirade against the "Saints," accusing them of every abomination under the sun, but, above all, of the most degrading hypocrisy. "You must distinguish real from false piety," says, calmly, Montignac. "There are honest men who are sincere believers."

"Never met one yet," cries out Planterose.

"You have one before you now," rejoins, with still greater quietness, Montignac.

"You!" exclaims his friend—"You! a *dévot*—you!"

"Say a Christian," is the reply—"a firmly convinced devout believer in the Christian faith."

And then, in a very short and excellent speech, he develops what he holds to be the spiritual duties of a Christian gentleman, of an honest, upright soldier, and he is covered with applause.

Now this also would have been impossible some few years back. The lower part of the audience would have hissed, hooted, and laughed down a soldier who should have ventured to defend the practices of religion. The difference now is that if the narrow, hypocritical intrigues of the Jesuitical Tartuffes are more than ever detested, there is sympathy and respect for those who genuinely stand firm by, and act up to the precepts and the dogmas of Christianity.

When you have just come from witnessing the representation of such a piece as *Séraphine* (and more or less all pieces are of this type now-a-days here), the thing that strikes you most is the oneness of the ideas proclaimed everywhere where tongue or pen expresses thought, and the union between those who live in dread of what they call "revolutionary" progress.

In other words, what Sardou satirizes and scourges, is condemned by the Père Hyacinthe, and, the one on the stage, and the other in the pulpit, denounce with equal force the same dangers to true religion.

"I don't care for enjoyment," says Chapelard in the *Dévote*, while accepting the offerings of his abject votaries, "on the contrary; but I seek to know nothing of the mere body. Therefore do I mortify the body by satiety! When the animal hungers, I say 'Gorge thyself, base one!' when it is sleepy, I say 'Snore out a dozen hours!' when it shivers I bid it be warmed; and thus I annul mine enemy!"

In the last sermon which rang through all Paris from the aisles of Notre Dame, Father Hyacinthe denounced the usurpations of the priesthood in the interior of families, and boldly took part with the "hearth" against the "cloister," making it clearly felt how unseemly was the position of a priest in the midst of the enjoyments and activities, the bustle and honest freedom of mere ordinary home-life. His theory was that the father was the nature-given "director" and chief, the guide and consoler—the minister, in short, appointed by God to administer the lives and consciences of his children.

Father Hyacinthe's preachings tend to enlarge the sphere of action of the honest man, and thereby to banish such misplaced "directors" as Sardou's Chapelard from their usurped power in the bosom of families.

But, as I said, the opposers of all this hang together firmly, and you will hear the same individuals who anathematise Sardou's *Séraphine* hold forth in bitter condemnation of Father Hyacinthe's homilies. Worst of all, too, these homilies are preached in the presence and under the sanction of the Archbishop of Paris—a very wise and liberal man.

If you venture to remark upon this fact before the resolute champions of Jesuitism and obscurantism, they sneer spitefully and say—"Very well, all in good time. You'll see that Rome will be down upon him some day." Luckily (for itself) Rome has as yet been "down upon" none of Père Hyacinthe's utterances.—*Daily News.*

TOO MUCH ZEAL.—A correspondent sends us the following narrative of a scene which he and others witnessed and took part in at the railway station at Willenhall:—"A thick chain, three little boys on either side, and a bigger boy at the end; all handcuffed. Several poor women crying. Lots of children, and three policemen. One of the children was so little that a policeman had to wrap a handkerchief round his wrist to make the handcuffs fit. 'What's the matter—what have these boys done, and where are they going?' 'Been a gambling, sir. Going to Stafford for seven days.' 'Gambling, did you say?' 'Yes, sir, pitch-and-toss on a Sunday.' 'Pitch-and-toss! Do I understand you? Five little boys under 12, and two not 16, all going to gaol for pitch-and-toss?' 'Yes, sir.' 'Without the option of a fine?' 'No, sir, fined 6d.' 'That's 3s. 6d. for the seven; I'll pay the lot.' 'But, then, there's the costs, sir.' 'Well, what's the total?' '4l. 0s. 6d., sir.' Now, as I understand, neither of the boys had ever been in custody before, and, as their dress denoted, they must of necessity be exceedingly poor, I inquired of a woman, who appeared in great distress, the habits of the boys. 'I can only,' she said, 'speak for my boy, sir. He earns me 6s. a week. He's a good lad. I haven't money enough to free him; and what he's to do when he comes out of Stafford I don't know. He can't walk the 20 miles home.' Fortunately, two gentlemen appeared on the scene, and inquired particulars, which were soon forthcoming. 'Scandalous!' said one. 'Monstrous!' said the other. 'If,' I said, 'any gentleman will join me in payment of the fine, the boys shall be liberated.' Two gentlemen did join the writer of this, the fine was paid and the boys unchained, and, although the tickets were taken from Willenhall to Stafford, the boys did not go to gaol."—*Birmingham Post.*

PUNS *VERSUS* BASTARD PUNS.

THE following letters appear in a London paper:—

SIR,—The condemnation which you have passed upon the barbarous practice in vogue with burlesque writers of twisting one collection of syllables so as to sound like another collection is timely and just. But I wish to point out that the word-twistings in question are not puns at all, and have nothing in common with the pun proper. While, therefore, you have relieved the legitimate pun from the stigma so long supposed to have been laid on it by Dr. Johnson, you have unwittingly been unjust towards that mode of wit in coupling with it the bastard puns of modern burlesque. The essence of a pun is the use of one word in two different senses. Sydney Smith, perhaps the best authority on the subject, illustrates this by citing the instance of a boy who, whenever in reading he met with the word "patriarchs," always pronounced it "partridges," whereupon a friend observed that "the boy was making game of the patriarchs." Here the use of the word "game" in two different senses constitutes the pun, to which the possession of wit will hardly be denied. One of Sydney Smith's puns is perhaps the perfection of its kind; a lady said to him that "she feared she would never be able to bring this pea to perfection." "Permit me, then," said he, taking her by the hand, "to bring perfection to the pea."

Archbishop Whately had the reputation of being a great punster. Yet he seems to depreciate the pun, for he says, "it is reckoned the humblest kind of wit." This remark is certainly applicable to the example which follows it. "The reason why well-bred people never whisper in company is because it is a mode of speaking not allow'd [aloud];" for this is not a legitimate pun, seeing that one word is not used in two different senses, but two different words sounding alike are used to produce ambiguity. Perhaps the archbishop's quasi-puns were all of this type; and, if so, no exception can be taken to his implied self-censure. But the puns above quoted from Sydney Smith are not open to this objection. And if further vindication of the legitimate pun were necessary I would cite, as one to which wit of a high order cannot be denied, Coleridge's celebrated impromptu at one of the Bristol lectures when the audience showed some signs of disapprobation:—

"I am not at all surprised that, when the red-hot prejudices of aristocracy are suddenly plunged into the cool element of reason, they should go off with a *hiss*." I do not like, I confess, to see Hood called a word-twister. He made some bastard puns, it is true; but he made many admirable legitimate ones. Witness his account of Ben Battle and Faithless Nelly Gray:

A cannon-ball took off his legs;
So he laid down his "arms."

There he left the second leg
And the forty-second "foot."

Even his bastard puns possessed the element so conspicuous by its absence in those of modern burlesque-writers. Who will deny, for instance, that these samples from "Sally Brown" and "Ben Battle" possess wit?

The boatswain swore with wicked word
Enough to shock a saint,
That, though she did seem in a fit,
'Twas nothing but a "feint."

They went and "told" the sexton,
And the sexton "tolled" the bell.

You will be my death—Alas!
You will not be my "Nell."

Compared with these specimens, the double bastard puns of our burlesque-writers sink low indeed. Where is the wit, or the fun as you, sir, put it, of turning "For weal or woe" into "Fourwheeler, woa;" "Soporific" into "Soap horrific;" "Cauterize," "Caught her eyes;" "Rosherville," into "Rush of ill?" It is of such a stock that modern burlesque consists. My knowledge of it, fortunately, is not extensive. But judging by what I do know, I venture the opinion that in the whole of the burlesques written during the last fifteen years there are not as many legitimate puns. The bastard puns, of which the above are fair specimens, are not only a violation of grammar and orthoëpy, but an insult to the understanding, and an outrage upon taste. I devoutly hope they may be finally and speedily driven from our stage and literature.—I am, &c.,

PUN-OLOGIST.

SIR,—Your correspondents have not yet quite traced out the pedigree of the maxim "He that would make a pun would pick a pocket." A much earlier and better authority than the *Gentleman's Magazine* may be found for attributing it to Dennis the critic. It is quoted and ascribed to him in a pamphlet by Ben. Victor, entitled, "An Epistle to Sir Richard Steele on his play called the *Conscious Lovers*," published in 1772. Pope also, in a note to the edition of the "Dunciad" of 1729, says, "A great critic formerly held these clenches in such abhorrence that he declared 'he that would pun would pick a pocket.'" That he refers to his old antagonist is evident, for he adds, "Yet Mr. Dennis's work afford us notable examples in this kind." These dates are perhaps sufficient to show that Johnson, who was a schoolboy in 1722, was not the originator of the saying popularly attributed to him.—I am, &c.,

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E. J. HARDCASTLE, Acting Manager.

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CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK of INDIA, LONDON, and CHINA.

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On London, at 6 ms' sight	above	2s. 0d. per Rupee
" 4	do.	2s. 0d. "
" 3	do.	1s. 11 15/16d. "
" 2	do.	1s. 11 7/8d. "
" 1	do.	1s. 11 13/16d. "
On demand		1s. 11¾d. "
On Scotland	do.	...
On Ireland	do.	...
Circular Notes for the use of Travellers on the Continent and to Europe Over-land at 1 day's sight		1s. 11 11/16d. "

The Bank purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable in Calcutta, Madras, Coconada, Ceylon, Hongkong, Foochowfoe, Shanghai, Hankow, Singapore, Penang, Mauritius and Yokohama.

The Bank also draws on the Branches of the Bank of New South Wales.

INTEREST.

On Deposit accounts payable on demand interest will be credited half yearly, on 30th June and 31st December, at the rate of two per cent. per annum on the daily balance not exceeding one Lac Rupees.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

12 months	6 per cent.
6 do.	5 "
3 do.	3 "

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies, without charge, and realizes interests and Dividends thereon on the following terms:—

If to be remitted in Bank's Drafts, without charge.

If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of a ¼ per cent.

On returning Government Paper or Share Certificates out of safe custody, or when sold on paying the proceeds of such sale in India, a commission will be charged of ¼ per cent. But if proceeds are remitted on the Bank's Drafts, without charge.

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Bombay, 11th February 1869.

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As compared with a Wire Fence its advantages are—

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A nearly new light English-built four wheeled Dog Cart with lamps and shaft by Rogers and Co.

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A fresh batch of Plated and Brass mounted Buggy, Dog-cart, and Gig Harnesses,

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